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P R E F A C E.

THE present work is designed to supply a want that has been long felt by most persons engaged in classical tuition. Hitherto we have had no work in the English language which exhibited, in a form adapted to the use of young pupils, the results of the labours of modern scholars in the various subjects included under the general term of Greek and Roman Antiquities. The "Dictionary of Greek and Roman Antiquities" is intended for the more advanced student, and contains, moreover, information on a vast variety of subjects, which is not required by those who are commencing their classical studies. It has therefore been supposed, that an Abridgment of that work illustrating the Greek and Roman writers usually read in the lower classes of our public schools, and omitting all such matters as are of no use to the young student, might prove an acceptable addition to our school-literature. In fact, the Abridgment was undertaken at the suggestion of the head-master of one of our great public schools, and no pains have been spared to adapt it to the class of persons for whom it is more especially intended. Conciseness and clearness have been chiefly studied; all discussions on doubtful and controverted subjects have been omitted; and such of the articles as are susceptible of it have been illustrated by woodcuts from ancient works of art.

Though this work has been drawn up chiefly for the use of the lower forms in our public schools, the wants of another class of persons have also been consulted. It is believed that the work will be found to be of no small assistance to those who have not studied the Greek and Roman writers, but who frequently need information on many points connected with Greek and Roman Antiquities. Care has been taken not to presume too much on the knowledge of the reader; and it is therefore hoped, that most of the articles may be read with advantage and profit by persons who are unacquainted with the classical writers.

It should be borne in mind, that this work does not profess to give an abridged account of *all* the subjects which are comprised in the larger work. On many matters, such as those relating to Jurisprudence, and several departments of Art, the reader must refer for information to the other Dictionary. On many subjects likewise, which are contained in this Abridgment, only the most important facts are stated; those who desire more detailed information, and an account of the conflicting views held by modern scholars on certain points, must consult the original work. In such cases the present work will serve as a convenient introduction to the other, and will enable the student to use the latter with more advantage and profit than he would otherwise have been able to do. It has been considered unnecessary to give in this Abridgment references to ancient and modern writers, as they are not required by the class of persons for whose use the book is designed, and they are to be found in the original work.

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PREFACE TO THE AMERICAN EDITION.

THE Editor believes that he is rendering a very acceptable service to the young student, in presenting him with a corrected and improved edition of the present work, both on account of the aid which it will afford him in his classical reading, and because the information contained in it will be found to be far more accurate and worthy of reliance than that given in any similar work ever published in this country. In preparing this volume for the press, errors in the London edition have been corrected, many important articles have been added, and the amount of illustrations has been very materially enlarged. The Greek Index, also, which abounded in errors, has been carefully revised and augmented.

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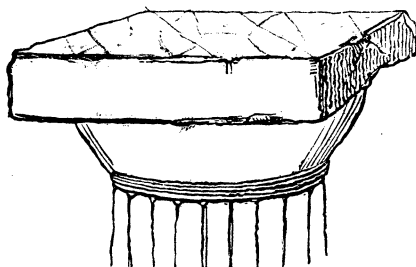
ABACUS (*ἄβαξ*), denoted primarily a square tablet of any description, and was hence employed in the following significations:—

1. A table, or side-board, chiefly used for the display of gold and silver cups, and other kinds of valuable and ornamental utensils. The use of abaci was first introduced at Rome from Asia Minor after the victories of Cn Manlius Vulso, B. C. 187, and their introduction was regarded as one of the marks of the growing luxury of the age.

2. A draught-board or chess-board.

3. A board used by mathematicians for drawing diagrams, and by arithmeticians for the purposes of calculation.

4. In architecture, the flat square stone which constituted the highest member of a column, being placed immediately under the architrave.



Abacus.

ABLEG'MINA (*ἀπολήγμολ*) were the parts of the victim which were offered to the gods

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in sacrifice. The word is derived from *ablere*, in imitation of the Greek *ἀπολέγειν*, which is used in a similar manner. These parts were also called *Porricia*, *Prosegrmina*, *Prosecta*. [SACRIFICIUM.]

ABOLLA, a cloak chiefly worn by soldiers, and thus opposed to the toga, the garb of peace. [Toga.] The abolla was used by the lower classes at Rome, and consequently by the philosophers who affected severity of manners and life.



Abolla, Military Cloak.

ABROGATIO. [LEX.]
ABSOLUTIO. [JUDEX.]

ACA'TIUM (ἀκάτιον, a diminutive of ἀκάτος), a small vessel or boat used by the Greeks, which appears to have been the same as the Roman *scapha*. The *Acatia* were also sails adapted for fast sailing.

ACCENSUS. 1. A public officer, who attended on several of the Roman magistrates. He anciently preceded the consul who had not the fasces, which custom, after being long disused, was restored by Julius Cæsar in his first consulship. Accensi also attended on the governors of provinces. 2. The accensi were also a class of soldiers in the Roman army, who were enlisted after the full number of the legion had been completed, in order to supply any vacancies that might occur in the legion. They were taken, according to the census of Servius Tullius, from the fifth class of citizens, and were placed in battle in the rear of the army, behind the triarii.

ACCLAMATIO was the public expression of approbation or disapprobation, pleasure or displeasure, by loud acclamations. On many occasions, there appear to have been certain forms of acclamations always used by the Romans; as, for instance, at marriages, *Io Hymen, Hymenæe, or Talassio*; at triumphs, *Io Triumphe*; at the conclusion of plays, the last actor called out *Plaudite* to the spectators; orators were usually praised by such expressions as *Bene et praeclare, Belle et festive, Non potest melius, &c.*

ACCUBITA, the name of couches which were used in the time of the Roman emperors, instead of the triclinium, for reclining on at meals. The mattresses and feather-beds were softer and higher, and the supports (*fulcra*) of them lower in proportion than in the triclinium. The clothes and pillows spread over them were called *accubitalia*.

ACCUBATIO, the act of reclining at meals. The Greeks and Romans were accustomed, in later times, to recline at their meals; but this practice could not have been of great antiquity in Greece, since Homer always describes persons as sitting at their meals; and Isidore of Seville, an ancient grammarian, also attributes the same custom to the ancient Romans. Even in the time of the early Roman emperors, children in families of the highest rank used to sit together, while their fathers and elders reclined on couches at the upper part of the room. Roman ladies continued the practice of sitting at table, even after the recumbent position had become common with the other sex. It appears to have been considered more decent, and more agreeable to the severity and purity of ancient manners for women to sit, more especially if many persons were present. But, on the

other hand, we find cases of women reclining, where there was conceived to be nothing bold or indelicate in their posture. Such is the case in the following woodcut, which seems



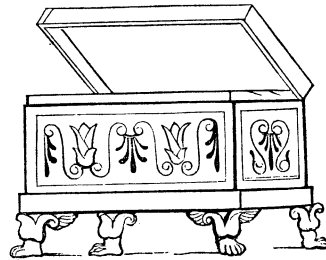
Accubatio, Act of Reclining.

intended to represent a scene of matrimonial felicity. The husband and wife recline on a sofa; their two sons are in front of them; and several females and a boy are performing a piece of music for the entertainment of the married pair.

For an account of the disposition of the couches, and of the place which each guest occupied in a Greek and Roman entertainment, see **SYMPOSIUM** and **TRICLINIUM**.

ACCUSATOR, ACCUSATIO. [JUDEx.]

ACERRA (θυμιατήριον, λιβανωτής), the incense-box or censer used in sacrifices.



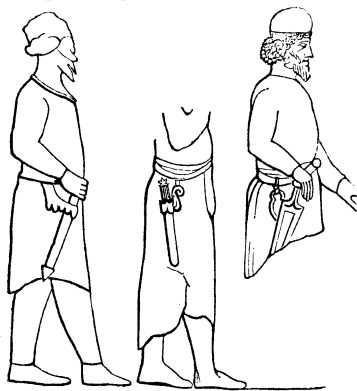
Acerra, Incense-Box.

The acerra was also a small moveable altar placed before the dead, on which perfumes were burnt. The use of the accerræ at funerals was forbidden by a law of the Twelve Tables as an unnecessary expense.

A'CIES. [EXERCITUS.]

ACINACES (ἀκινάκης), a Persian sword,

whence Horace speaks of the *Medus acinaces*. The acinaces was a short and straight weapon, and thus differed from the Roman *sica*, which was curved. It was worn on the right side of the body, whereas the Greeks and Romans usually had their swords suspended on the left side. The form of the acinaces, with the mode of wearing it, is illustrated by the following Persepolitan figures.



Acinaces, Persian Sword

ACLIS, a kind of dart with a leathern thong attached to it. [AMENTUM.]

ACROA'MA (*ἀκρόαμα*), which properly means anything heard, was the name given to a concert of players on different musical instruments, and also to an interlude performed during the exhibition of the public games. The word is also applied to the actors and musicians who were employed to amuse guests during an entertainment, and is sometimes used to designate the anagnostae. [ANAGNOSTES.]

ACRO'POLIS (*ἀκρόπολις*). In almost all Greek cities, which were usually built upon a hill, rock, or some natural elevation, there was a castle or a citadel, erected upon the highest part of the rock or hill, to which the name of *Acropolis*, higher or upper city, was given. Thus we read of an acropolis at Athens, Corinth, Argos, Messene, and many other places. The Capitolium at Rome answered the same purpose as the acropolis in the Greek cities; and of the same kind were the tower of Agathocles at Utica, and that of Antonia at Jerusalem.

ACROSTOLIUM (*ἀκροστόλιον*), the extremity of the *στόλος*. The *στόλος* projected from the head of the prow, and its extremity

(*ἀκροστόλιον*), which was frequently made in the shape of an animal or a helmet, &c., appears to have been sometimes covered with brass, and to have served as a weapon of offence against the enemy's vessels.

ACROTE'RIUM (*ἀκροτήριον*), signifies the extremity of anything, and was applied by the Greeks to the extremities of the prow of a vessel (*ἀκροστόλιον*), which were usually taken from a conquered vessel as a mark of victory: the act of doing so was called *ἀκροτηριάειν*.

ACTA DIURNA (proceedings of the day), was a kind of gazette or newspaper published daily at Rome, under the authority of the government. It contained an account of the proceedings of the public assemblies, of the law courts, of the punishment of offenders, and a list of births, marriages, deaths, &c. The proceedings of the public assemblies and the law courts, were obtained by means of reporters (*actuarii*). The proceedings of the senate (*acta senatus*) were not published till the time of Julius Cæsar, but this custom was prohibited by Augustus. An account of the proceedings of the senate was still preserved, though not published, and some senator seems to have been chosen by the emperor to compile the account. The *Acta Diurna*, which were also called *Acta populi*, *Acta publica*, *Acta urbana*, and by the simple name of *Acta*, were frequently consulted and appealed to by later historians.

ACTA SENATUS. [ACTA DIURNA.]

A'CTIA (*ἄκτια*), a festival celebrated every three years at Actium in Epirus, with wrestling, horse-racing, and sea-fights, in honour of Apollo. There was a celebrated temple of Apollo at Actium. After the defeat of Antony off Actium, Augustus enlarged the temple, and instituted games to be celebrated every five years in commemoration of his victory.

A'CTIO, is defined by a Roman jurist to be the right of pursuing by judicial means what is a man's due.

The old actions of the Roman law were called *legis actiones* or *legitimæ*, either because they were expressly provided for by the laws of the Twelve Tables, or because they were strictly adapted to the words of the laws, and therefore could not be varied. But these forms of action gradually fell into disuse, in consequence of the excessive nicety required, and the failure consequent on the slightest error in the pleadings, and they were eventually abolished by the *Lex Aebutia*, and two *Leges Juliae*, except in a few cases.

In the old Roman constitution, the knowledge of the law was most closely connected with the institutes and ceremonial of religion.

and was accordingly in the hands of the patricians alone, whose aid their clients were obliged to ask in all their legal disputes. App. Claudius Caecus, perhaps one of the earliest writers on law, drew up the various forms of actions, probably for his own use and that of his friends: the manuscript was stolen or copied by his scribe Cn. Flavius, who made it public; and thus, according to the story, the plebians became acquainted with those legal forms which hitherto had been the exclusive property of the patricians. After the abolition of the old legal actions, a suit was prosecuted in the following manner:—

An action was commenced by the plaintiff summoning the defendant to appear before the praetor or other magistrate who had *jurisdictio*: this process was called *in jus vocatio*; and, according to the laws of the Twelve Tables, was in effect a dragging of the defendant before the praetor, if he refused to go quietly; and although this rude proceeding was somewhat modified in later times, we find in the time of Horace that if the defendant would not go quietly, the plaintiff called upon any bystander to witness, and dragged the defendant into court. The parties might settle their dispute on their way to the court, or the defendant might be bailed by a *vindex*. The *vindex* must not be confounded with the *vades*. This settlement of disputes on the way was called *transactio in via*, and serves to explain a passage in St. Matthew, v., 25.

When before the praetor, the parties were said *jure agere*. The plaintiff then prayed for an action, and if the praetor allowed it (*dabat actionem*), he then declared what action he intended to bring against the defendant, which he called *edere actionem*. This might be done in writing, or orally, or by the plaintiff taking the defendant to the *album* [*ALBUM*], and showing him which action he intended to rely on. As the *formulae* on the *album* comprehended, or were supposed to comprehend, every possible form of action that could be required by a plaintiff, it was presumed that he could find among all the *formulae* some one which was adapted to his case; and he was, accordingly, supposed to be without excuse if he did not take pains to select the proper *formulae*. If he took the wrong one, or if he claimed more than his due, he lost his cause (*causa cadebat*); but the praetor sometimes gave him leave to amend his claim or *intentio*. It will be observed that as the *formulae* were so numerous and comprehensive, the plaintiff had only to select the *formulae* which he supposed to be suitable to his case, and it would require no farther variation than the insertion of the names of the parties and of the thing claimed,

or the subject-matter of the suit, with the amount of damages, &c., as the case might be.

When the praetor had granted an action, the plaintiff required the defendant to give security for his appearance before the praetor (*in jure*) on a day named, commonly the day but one after the *in jus vocatio*, unless the matter in dispute was settled at once. The defendant, on finding a surety, was said *vades dare*, *vadimonium promittere*, or *facere*; the surety, *vas*, was said *spondere*; the plaintiff, when satisfied with the surety, was said *vadari reum*, to let him go on his sureties, or to have sureties from him. When the defendant promised to appear *in jure* on the day named, without giving any surety, this was called *vadimonium purum*. In some cases, *recuperatores* [*JUDEX*] were named, who, in case of the defendant making default, condemned him in the sum of money named in the *vadimonium*.

If the defendant appeared on the day appointed, he was said *vadimonium sistere*; if he did not appear, he was said *vadimonium deseruisse*; and the praetor gave to the plaintiff the *bonorum possessio*. Both parties, on the day appointed, were summoned by a crier (*praeco*), when the plaintiff made his claim or demand, which was very briefly expressed, and may be considered as corresponding to our declaration at law.

The defendant might either deny the plaintiff's claim, or he might reply to it by a plea, *exceptio*. If he simply denied the plaintiff's claim, the cause was at issue, and a *judex* might be demanded. The forms of the *exceptio*, also, were contained in the praetor's edict, or, upon hearing the facts, the praetor adapted the plea to the case.

The plaintiff might reply to the defendant's *exceptio*. The plaintiff's answer was called *replicatio*. If the defendant answered the *replicatio*, his answer was called *duplicatio*; and the parties might go on to the *triplicatio* and *quadruplicatio*, and even further, if the matters in question were such that they could not otherwise be brought to an issue.

A person might maintain or defend an action by his *cognitor* or *procurator*, or, as we should say, by his attorney. The plaintiff and defendant used a certain form of words in appointing a *cognitor*, and it would appear that the appointment was made in the presence of both parties. The *cognitor* needed not to be present, and his appointment was complete when by his acts he had signified his assent.

When the cause was brought to an issue, a *judex* or *judices* might be demanded of the praetor, who named or appointed a *judex*, and

delivered to him the formula, which contained his instructions. The judices were said, *dari* or *addici*. So far the proceedings were said to be *in jure*: the prosecution of the *actio* before the *judex* requires a separate discussion. [JUDEx.]

ACTOR, signified generally a plaintiff. In a civil or private action, the plaintiff was often called *petitor*; in a public action (*causa publica*), he was called *accusator*. The defendant was called *reus*, both in private and public causes: this term, however, according to Cicero, might signify either party, as indeed we might conclude from the word itself. In a private action, the defendant was often called *adversarius*, but either party might be called *adversarius* with respect to the other. Wards brought their actions by their guardian or tutor. *Æregrini*, or aliens, originally brought their action through their patronus; but afterwards in their own name, by a fiction of law, that they were Roman citizens. A Roman citizen might also generally bring his action by means of a cognitor or procurator. [ACTIO.]

Actor has also the sense of an agent or manager of another's business generally. The *actor publicus* was an officer who had the superintendence or care of slaves and property belonging to the state.

ACTORS on the stage. [HISTRIO.]

ACTUARIAE NAVES, transport-vessels, seem to have been built in a lighter style than the ordinary ships of burden, from which they also differed in being always furnished with oars, whereas the others were chiefly propelled by sails.

ACTUarii, short-hand writers, who took down the speeches in the senate and the public assemblies. In the debate in the Roman senate upon the punishment of those who had been concerned in the conspiracy of Catiline, we find the first mention of short-hand writers, who were employed by Cicero to take down the speech of Cato.

ACTUS, a Roman measure of length, also called *actus quadratus*, was equal to half a jugerum, or 14,400 square Roman feet. The *actus minimus*, or *simplex*, was 120 feet long, and four broad, and therefore equal to 480 square Roman feet. *Actus* was also used to signify a bridle way.

ACUS (*βελώνη, βελονίς, βελός*), a needle, a pin.

Pins were made not only of metal, but also of wood, bone, and ivory. They were used for the same purposes as with us, and also in dressing the hair. The mode of plating the hair, and then fastening it with a pin or needle, is shown in the annexed figure of a fe-

male head. This fashion has been continued to our own times by the females of Italy.



Acus, Pin used to fasten the Hair.

ADDICTI. [NEXI]

ADFINES. [AFFINES.]

ADLECTI, or **ALLECTI**, those persons under the empire who were admitted to the privileges and honours of the praetorship, quaestorship, aedileship, and other public offices, without having any duties to perform. The senators called *adlecti*, seem to have been the same as the conscripti.

ADMISSIONALES, chamberlains at the imperial court, who introduced persons to the presence of the emperor. They were divided into four classes; the chief officer of each class was called *proximus admissionum*; and the *proximi* were under the *magister admissionum*. Their duty was called *officium admissionis*. They were usually freedmen.

ADOLESCENS, was applied in the Roman law to a person from the end of his twelfth or fourteenth to the end of his twenty-fifth year, during which period a person was also called *adultus*. The word *adolescens*, however, is frequently used in a less strict sense in the Latin writers in referring to a person much older than the above-mentioned age.

ADONIA (*Ἀδωνία*), a festival celebrated in honour of Aphrodite (*Venus*) and Adonis in most of the Grecian cities. It lasted two days, and was celebrated by women exclusively. On the first day they brought into the streets statues of Adonis, which were laid out as corpses; and they observed all the rites customary at funerals, beating themselves and uttering lamentations. The second day was spent in merriment and feasting; because

*A*donis was allowed to return to life, and spend half the year with Aphrodite (Venus).

ADOPTIO, adoption. 1. GREEK.—Adoption was called by the Athenians *εἰσποίησις*, or sometimes simply *ποίησις*, or *θέσις*. The adoptive father was said *ποιεῖσθαι*, *εἰσποιεῖσθαι*, or sometimes *ποιεῖν*: and the father or mother (for a mother after the death of her husband could consent to her son being adopted) was said *ἐκποιεῖν*: the son was said *ἐκποιεῖσθαι* with reference to the family which he left; and *εἰσποιεῖσθαι* with reference to the family into which he was received. The son, when adopted, was called *ποιητός*, *εἰσποιητός*, or *θετός*, in opposition to the legitimate son born of the body of the father, who was called *γνήσιος*.

A man might adopt a son either in his lifetime or by his testament, provided he had no male offspring, and was of sound mind. He might also, by testament, name a person to take his property, in case his son or sons should die under age.

Only Athenian citizens could be adopted; but females could be adopted (by testament at least) as well as males.

The adopted child was transferred from his own family and demus into those of the adoptive father; he inherited his property, and maintained the *sacra* of his adoptive father. It was not necessary for him to take his new father's name, but he was registered as his son in the register of his phratia (*φρατρικὸν γράμματιον*). Subsequently to this, it was necessary to enter him in the register of the adoptive father's demus (*ληξιαρχικὸν γράμματιον*), without which registration it appears that he did not possess the full rights of citizenship as a member of his new demus.

2. ROMAN.—The Roman relation of parent and child arose either from a lawful marriage or from adoption. *Adoptio* was the general name which comprehended the two species, *adoptio* and *adrogatio*; and as the adopted person passed from his own familia into that of the person adopting, *adoptio* caused a *capitis diminutio*, and the lowest of the three kinds. [CAPUT.] Adoption, in its specific sense, was the ceremony by which a person who was in the power of his parent (*in potestate parentum*), whether child or grandchild, male or female, was transferred to the power of the person adopting him. It was effected under the authority of a magistrate (*magistratus*), the praetor, for instance, at Rome, or a governor (*praeses*), in the provinces. The person to be adopted was emancipated [MANCIPATIO] by his natural father before the competent authority, and surrendered to the adoptive father by the legal form called in *jure cessio*.

When a person was not in the power of his parent (*sui juris*), the ceremony of adoption was called *adrogatio*. Originally, it could only be effected at Rome, and only by a vote of the populus (*populi auctoritate*) in the comitia curiata (*lege curiata*); the reason of this being that the caput or status of a Roman citizen could not, according to the laws of the Twelve Tables, be effected except by a vote of the populus in the comitia curiata. Claudius, the enemy of Cicero, was adrogated into a plebian family, in order to qualify himself to be elected a tribune of the plebs. Females could not be adopted by *adrogatio*. Under the emperors it became the practice to effect the *adrogatio* by an imperial rescript.

The effect of adoption was to create the legal relation of father and son, just as if the adopted son were born of the blood of the adoptive father in lawful marriage. The adopted child was entitled to the name and *sacra privata* of the adopting parent. A person, on passing from one gens into another, and taking the name of his new familia, generally retained the name of his old gens also, with the addition to it of the termination *anus*. Thus Aemilius, the son of L. Aemilius Paullus, upon being adopted by P. Cornelius Scipio, assumed the name of P. Cornelius Scipio Aemilianus, and C. Octavius, afterwards the emperor Augustus, upon being adopted by the testament of his uncle the dictator, assumed the name of C. Julius Caesar Octavianus.

ADORATIO (*προσκύνησις*), adoration was paid to the gods in the following manner:—The individual stretched out his right hand to the statue of the god whom he wished to honour, then kissed his hand, and waved it to the statue. The *adoratio* differed from the *oratio* or prayers, supplications, which were offered with the hands folded together. The adoration paid to the Roman emperors was borrowed from the Eastern mode of adoration, and consisted in prostration on the ground, and kissing the feet and knees of the emperor.

ADROGATIO. [ADOPTION.]

ADULTERIUM, adultery. 1. GREEK. Among the Athenians, if a man caught another man in the act of criminal intercourse (*μοιχεία*) with his wife, he might kill him with impunity; and the law was also the same with respect to a concubine (*παλλακή*). He might also inflict other punishment on the offender. It appears that there was no adultery, unless a married woman was concerned. The husband might, if he pleased, take a sum of money from the adulterer, by way of compensation, and detain him till he found sureties for the payment. The husband might also

prosecute the adulterer in the action called *μολχεται γράφη*. If the act of adultery was proved, the husband could no longer cohabit with his wife, under pain of losing his privileges of a citizen (*ἀτμία*). The adulteress was excluded even from those temples which foreign women and slaves were allowed to enter; and if she was seen there, any one might treat her as he pleased, provided he did not kill her or mutilate her.

2. ROMAN. The word *adulterium* properly signifies, in the Roman law, the offence committed by a man's having sexual intercourse with another man's wife. *Stuprum* (called by the Greeks *θόρα*) signifies the like offence with a widow or virgin.

In the time of Augustus a law was enacted (probably about B. C. 17), entitled *Lex Julia de adulteriis coercendis*, which seems to have contained special penal provisions against adultery; and it is also not improbable, that by the old law or custom, if the adulterer was caught in the fact, he was at the mercy of the injured husband, and that the husband might punish with death his adulterous wife.

By the Julian law, a woman convicted of adultery was mulcted in half of her dowry (*dos*) and the third part of her property (*bona*), and banished (*relegata*) to some miserable island, such as Seriphos, for instance. The adulterer was mulcted in half his property, and banished in like manner. This law did not inflict the punishment of death on either party; and in those instances under the emperors in which death was inflicted, it must be considered as an extraordinary punishment, and beyond the provisions of the Julian law.

The Julian law permitted the father (both adoptive and natural) to kill the adulterer and adulteress in certain cases, as to which there were several nice distinctions established by the law. If the wife was divorced for adultery, the husband was entitled to retain part of the dowry.

By a constitution of the Emperor Constantine, the offence in the adulterer was made capital.

ADVERSA'RIA, a note-book, memorandum-book, posting-book, in which the Romans entered memoranda of any importance, especially of money received and expended, which were afterwards transcribed, usually every month, into a kind of ledger. (*Tabulae justae, codex accepti et expensi.*)

ADVERSA'RIOUS. [ACTOR.]

ADUNATI (Ἀδύνατοι), were persons supported by the Athenian state, who, on account of infirmity or bodily defects, were unable to obtain a livelihood. The sum which they received from the state appears to have varied

at different times. In the time of Lysias and Aristotle, one obolus a day was given; but it appears to have been afterwards increased to two oboli. The bounty was restricted to persons whose property was under three minae; and the examination of those who were entitled to it belonged to the senate of the Five Hundred. Pisistratus is said to have been the first to introduce a law for the maintenance of those persons who had been mutilated in war.

ADVOCAT'US, seems originally to have signified any person, who gave another his aid in any affair or business, as a witness for instance; or for the purpose of aiding and protecting him in taking possession of a piece of property. It was also used to express a person who in any way gave his advice and aid to another in the management of a cause; but the word did not signify the orator or patronus who made the speech in the time of Cicero. Under the emperors it signified a person who in any way assisted in the conduct of a cause, and was sometimes equivalent to orator. The advocate's fee was then called *Honorarium*.

A'DYTUM. [TEMPLUM.]

AEDĒS. [DOMUS; TEMPLUM.]

AEDI'LES (Ἀγορανόμοι). The name of these functionaries is said to be derived from their having the care of the temple (*aedes*) of Ceres. The aediles were originally two in number; they were elected from the plebs, and the institution of the office dates from the same time as that of the tribunes of the plebs, B. C. 494. Their duties at first seem to have been merely ministerial; they were the assistants of the tribunes in such matters as the tribunes entrusted to them, among which are enumerated the hearing of causes of smaller importance. At an early period after their institution (B. C. 446), we find them appointed the keepers of the *senatus-consulta*, which the consuls had hitherto arbitrarily suppressed or altered. They were also the keepers of the *plebiscita*. Other functions were gradually entrusted to them, and it is not always easy to distinguish their duties from some of those which belong to the censors. They had the general superintendence of buildings, both sacred and private; under this power they provided for the support and repair of temples, curiae, &c., and took care that private buildings, which were in a ruinous state were repaired by the owners or pulled down. The care of the streets and pavements, with the cleansing and draining of the city, belonged to the aediles; and, of course, the care of the cloacae. They had the office of distributing corn among the plebs, but this distribution of corn at Rome must not be con-

founded with the duty of purchasing or procuring it from foreign parts, which was performed by the consuls, quaestors, and praetors, and sometimes by an extraordinary magistrate, as the praefectus annonae.

The aediles had to see that the public lands were not improperly used, and that the pasture grounds of the state were not trespassed on; and they had power to punish by fine any unlawful act in this respect. They had a general superintendence over buying and selling, and, as a consequence, the supervision of the markets, of things exposed to sale, such as slaves, and of weights and measures; from this part of their duty is derived the name under which the aediles are mentioned by the Greek writers (*ἀγορανόμοι*). It was their business to see that no new deities or religious rites were introduced into the city, to look after the observance of religious ceremonies, and the celebration of the ancient feasts and festivals. The general superintendence of police comprehended the duty of preserving order, regard to decency, and the inspection of the baths and houses of entertainment. The aediles had various officers under them, as praefecti, scribes, and viatores.

The AEDILES CURULES, who were also two in number, were originally chosen only from the patricians, afterwards alternately from the patricians and the plebs, and at last indifferently from both. The office of curule aediles was instituted B. C. 365, and, according to Livy, on the occasion of the plebeian aediles refusing to consent to celebrate the Ludi Maximi for the space of four days instead of three; upon which a senatus-consultum was passed, by which two aediles were to be chosen from the patricians. From this time four aediles, two plebeian and two curule, were annually elected. The distinctive honours of the curule aediles were, the sella curulis, from whence their title is derived, the toga praetexta, precedence in speaking in the senate, and the jus imaginis. The curule aediles only had the jus edicendi, or the right of promulgating edicts; but the rules comprised in their edicts served for the guidance of all the aediles. The edicts of the curule aediles were founded on their authority as superintendents of the markets, and of buying and selling in general. Accordingly, their edicts had mainly, or perhaps solely, reference to the rules as to buying and selling, and contracts for bargain and sale. The persons both of the plebeian and curule aediles were sacrosancti.

It seems that after the appointment of the curule aediles, the functions formerly exer-

cised by the plebeian aediles were exercised, with some few exceptions, by all the aediles indifferently. Within five days after being elected, or entering on office, they were required to determine by lot, or by agreement among themselves, what parts of the city each should take under his superintendence; and each aedile alone had the care of looking after the paving and cleansing of the streets, and other matters, it may be presumed, of the same local character within his district. The other duties of the office seem to have been exercised by them jointly.

In the superintendence of the public festivals or solemnities, there was a further distinction between the two sets of aediles. Many of these festivals, such as those of Flora and Ceres, were superintended by either set of aediles indifferently; but the plebeian games were under the superintendence of the plebeian aediles, who had allowance of money for that purpose; and the fines levied on the pecuarii, and others, seem to have been appropriated to these among other public purposes. The celebration of the Ludi Magni or Romani, of the Ludi Scenici, or dramatic representations, and the Ludi Megalesii, belonged specially to the curule aediles, and it was on such occasions that they often incurred a prodigious expense, with a view of pleasing the people, and securing their votes in future elections. This extravagant expenditure of the aediles arose after the close of the second Punic war, and increased with the opportunities which individuals had of enriching themselves after the Roman arms were carried into Greece, Africa, and Spain. Even the prodigality of the emperors hardly surpassed that of individual curule aediles under the republic; such as C. Julius Cæsar, the dictator, P. Cornelius Lentulus Spinther, and, above all, M. Aemilius Scaurus, whose expenditure was not limited to bare show, but comprehended objects of public utility, as the reparation of walls, dock-yards, ports, and aqueducts.

In B. C. 45, Julius Cæsar caused two curule aediles and four plebeian aediles to be elected; and thenceforward, at least so long as the office of aedile was of any importance, six aediles were annually elected. The two new plebeian aediles were called Cereales, and their duty was to look after a supply of corn. Though their office may not have been of any great importance after the institution of a praefectus annonae by Augustus, there is no doubt that it existed for several centuries, and at least as late as the time of the emperor Gordian.

The aediles belonged to the class of the

minores magistratus. The plebeian aediles were originally chosen at the comitia centuriata, but afterwards at the comitia tributa, in which comitia the curule aediles also were chosen. It appears that until the lex annalis was passed (A. C. 180) a Roman citizen might be a candidate for any office after completing his twenty-seventh year. This law fixed the age at which each office might be enjoyed, and it seems that the age fixed for the aedileship was thirty-seven.

The aediles existed under the emperors; but their powers were gradually diminished, and their functions exercised by new officers created by the emperors. After the battle of Actium, Augustus appointed a Praefectus urbi, who exercised the general police, which had formerly been one of the duties of the aediles. Augustus also took from the aediles, or exercised himself, the office of superintending the religious rites, and the banishing from the city of all foreign ceremonials; he also assumed the superintendence of the temples, and thus may be said to have destroyed the aedileship by depriving it of its old and original function. The last recorded instance of the splendours of the aedileship is the administration of Agrippa, who volunteered to take the office, and repaired all the public buildings and all the roads at his own expense, without drawing anything from the treasury. The aedileship had, however, lost its true character before this time. Agrippa

had already been consul before he accepted the office of aedile, and his munificent expenditure in this nominal office was the close of the splendour of the aedileship. Augustus appointed the curule aediles specially to the office of putting out fires, and placed a body of 600 slaves at their command; but the praefecti vigilum afterwards performed this duty. They retained, under the early emperors, a kind of police, for the purpose of repressing open licentiousness and disorder. The coloniae, and the municipia of the later period, had also their aediles, whose numbers and functions varied in different places. They seem, however, as to their powers and duties, to have resembled the aediles of Rome. They were chosen annually.

AEDITUI, AEDITUMI, AEDITIMI (called by the Greeks νεωκόροι, ζήκοροι, and ὑποζήκοροι), were persons who took care of the temples, attended to the cleaning of them, &c. They appear to have lived in the temples, or near them, and to have acted as ciceroni to those persons who wished to see them. Subsequently among the Greeks, the menial services connected with this office were left to slaves, and the persons called *neocori* became priestly officers of high rank, who had the chief superintendence of temples, their treasures, and the sacred rites observed in them.

AEGIS (Ἀίγυς) signifies, literally, a goat-skin.



The Aegis as worn by Athena (Minerva).

According to ancient mythology, the aegis worn by Jupiter was the hide of the goat Amaltheia, which had suckled him in his infancy. Homer always represents it as part of the armour of Jupiter, whom on this account he distinguishes by the epithet *aegis-bearing* (*αἰγιόχος*). He, however, asserts, that it was borrowed on different occasions, both by Apollo and Minerva.

The aegis was connected with the shield of Jupiter, either serving as a covering over it, or as a belt by which it was suspended from the right shoulder. Homer accordingly uses the word to denote not only the goat-skin, which it properly signified, but also the shield to which it belonged.

The aegis was adorned in a style corresponding to the might and majesty of the father of the gods. In the middle of it was fixed the appalling Gorgon's head, and its border was surrounded with golden tassels (*θήσαντες*), each of which was worth a hecatomb.

The aegis is usually seen on the statues of Minerva, in which it is a sort of scarf falling obliquely over the right shoulder, so as to pass round the body under the left arm. The serpents of the Gorgon's head are transferred to the border of the skin. (See the left-hand figure in the cut.) The later poets and artists represent the aegis as a breastplate covered with metal in the form of scales. (See the right-hand figure.)

ÆNEATORES, were those who blew upon wind instruments in the Roman army; namely, the *buccinatores*, *cornicines*, and *tubicines*. They were also employed in the public games.

ÆOLIPYLÆ (*αἰόλων πύλαι*) were, according to the description of Vitruvius, hollow vessels made of brass, which were used in explaining the origin, &c. of the winds. These vessels, which had a very small orifice, were filled with water and placed on the fire, by which, of course, steam was created.

AERA, a point of time from which subsequent or preceding years may be counted. The Greeks had no common aera till a comparatively late period.

The Athenians reckoned their years by the name of the chief archon of each year, whence he was called *archon eponymus* (*ἀρχων ἐπώνυμος*); the Lacedæmonians by one of the ephors, and the Argives by the chief priestess of Juno, who held her office for life.

The following aeras were adopted in later times:—1. the aera of the Trojan war (B.C. 1184), which was first made use of by Eratosthenes.—2. the Olympic aera, which began B.C. 776.—3. the *Philippic* or *Alexandrian*

aera, which began B.C. 323.—4. the aera of the Seleucidae, which began in the autumn of B.C. 312.—5. the aeras of Antioch, of which there were three, but the one in most common use began in November, B.C. 49.

The Romans reckoned their years from the foundation of the city (*ab urbe condita*), in the time of Augustus and subsequently; but in earlier times the years were reckoned by the names of the consuls. We also find traces of an aera from the banishment of the kings; and of another from the taking of the city by the Gauls. The date of the foundation of Rome is given differently by different authors. That which is most commonly followed is the one given by Varro, which corresponds to B.C. 753. It must be observed, that 753 A. U. C. is the first year before, and 754 A. U. C. the first year after the Christian aera. To find out the year B. C. corresponding to the year A. U. C., subtract the year A. U. C. from 754; thus, 605 A. U. C. = 149 B. C. To find out the year A. D., corresponding to the year A. U. C., subtract 753 from the year A. U. C.; thus, 767 A. U. C. = 14 A. D.

AERA'RII, those citizens of Rome who did not enjoy the perfect franchise, i. e. those who corresponded to the *isoteles* and *atimi* at Athens. The name is a regular adjective formed from *aes* (bronze), and its application to this particular class is due to the circumstance that, as the aerarii were protected by the state without being bound to military service, they naturally had to pay the *aes militare*, which was thus originally a charge on them. The persons who constituted this class were either the inhabitants of other towns which had a relation of isopolity with Rome (the *inquilini*), or clients and the descendants of freedmen. The decemvirs enrolled in the tribes all who were aerarians at that time: and when the tribes comprised the whole nation, the degradation of a citizen to the rank of an aerarian (which was called *aerarium facere*; *referre aliquem in aerarios*; or in *tabulas Caeritum referri jubere*), might be practised in the case of a patrician as well as of a plebeian. Hence, aerarians came to be used as a term of reproach. Respecting the *Tribuni Aerarii*, see **TRIBUNUS**.

AERA'RUM, the public treasury at Rome. After the banishment of the kings, the temple of Saturn was used as the place for keeping the public treasure, and it continued to be so till the later times of the empire. Besides the public money, the standards of the legions were deposited in the aerarium, and also all decrees of the senate were entered there in books kept for the purpose.

The aerarium was divided into two parts:

the *common* treasury, in which were deposited the regular taxes, and which was made use of to meet the ordinary expenditure of the state; and the *sacred* treasury (*acrarium sanctum, sanctius*), which was never touched except in cases of extreme peril. The twentieth part of the value of every slave who was enfranchised, and some part of the plunder of conquered nations, were deposited in the sacred treasury. Augustus established a separate treasury under the name of *acrarium militare*, to provide for the pay and support of the army; and he imposed several new taxes for that purpose.

The *acrarium*, the public treasury, must be distinguished from the *fiscus*, the treasury of the emperors. [*FISCUS*.]

The charge of the treasury was originally entrusted to the quaestors and their assistants, the *tribuni aerarii*; but in B. C. 49, when no quaestors were elected, it was transferred to the aediles, in whose care it appears to have been till B. C. 28, when Augustus gave it to the praetors, or those who had been praetors. Various changes were made by the early emperors, as to the charge of the acrarium, but it was eventually entrusted to officers, called praefects, who appear to have held their office for two years.

AERUSCATORÆS, were vagrants who obtained their living by fortune-telling and begging. They were called by the Greeks *ἀγύρται*.

AES (*χαλκός*), properly signifies a compound of copper and tin, corresponding to what we call *bronze*. It is incorrect to translate it *brass*, which is a combination of copper and zinc, since all the specimens of ancient objects, formed of the material called *aes*, are found upon analysis to contain no zinc.

The employment of *aes* was very general among the ancients; money, vases, and utensils of all sorts, being made of it. All the most ancient coins in Rome and the old Italian states were made of *aes*, and hence money in general was called by this name. For the same reason we have *aes alienum*, meaning debt, and *aera* in the plural, pay to the soldiers. The Romans had no other coinage except bronze or copper (*aes*), till B. C. 269, five years before the first Punic war, when silver was first coined; gold was not coined till sixty-two years after silver.

The first coinage of *aes* is usually attributed to Servius Tullius, who is said to have stamped the money with the image of cattle (*pecus*), whence it is called *pecunia*. According to some accounts, it was coined from the commencement of the city, and we know that the

old Italian states possessed a bronze or copper coinage from the earliest times.

The first coinage was the *as* [*As*], which originally was a pound weight; but as in course of time the weight of the *as* was reduced not only in Rome, but in the other Italian states, and this reduction of weight was not uniform in the different states, it became usual in all bargains to pay the asses according to their weight, and not according to their nominal value. The *aes grave* was not the old heavy coins as distinguished from the lighter modern; but it signified any number of copper coins reckoned according to the old style, by weight. There was, therefore, no occasion for the state to suppress the circulation of the old copper coins, since in all bargains the asses were not reckoned by tale, but by weight.

Bronze or copper (*χαλκός*) was very little used by the Greeks for money in early times. Silver was originally the universal currency, and copper appears to have been seldom coined till after the time of Alexander the Great. The copper coin was called *Chalcous* (*χαλκοῦς*). The smallest silver coin at Athens was the quarter-obol, and the chalcous was the half of that, or the eighth of an obol. In later times, the obol was coined of copper as well as silver.

AES CIRCUMFORANEUM, money borrowed from the Roman bankers (*argentarii*), who had shops in porticoes round the forum.

AES EQUESTRE, the sum of money given by the Roman state for the purchase of the knight's horse. This sum amounted to 10,000 asses.

AES HORDEARIUM, or **HORDIARIUM**, the sum of money paid yearly for the keep of a knight's horse; in other words, a knight's pay. This sum, which amounted to 2000 asses for each horse, was charged upon the rich widows and orphans, on the principle that, in a military state, the women and children ought to contribute largely for those who fought in behalf of them and the commonwealth.

AES MILITARE. [*AERARII*.]

AES MANUARIUM was the money won in playing with dice, *manibus collectum*. *Manus* was the throw in the game. All who threw certain numbers were obliged to put down a piece of money; and whoever threw the *Venus* (the highest throw) won the whole sum, which was called the *aes manuarium*.

AES UXORIUM, was a tax paid by persons who lived as bachelors. It was first imposed by the censors in B. C. 403. Various penalties were imposed by Augustus upon

those who lived in a state of celibacy, and advantages granted to those who were married and had children. [LEX JULIA ET PAPIA POPPAEA.]

AESYMNETES (Αἰσυμήτης), a person who was sometimes invested with unlimited power in the Greek states. His power partook in some degree of the nature both of kingly and tyrannical authority; since he was appointed legally, and did not usurp the government, but at the same time was not bound by any laws in his public administration. The office was not hereditary, nor was it held for life; but it only continued for a limited time, or till some object was accomplished. Thus we read that the inhabitants of Mytilene appointed Pittacus aesymnetes, in order to prevent the return of Alcaeus and the other exiles. Dionysius compares it with the dictatorship of Rome. In some states, such as Cyme and Chalcedon, it was the title borne by the regular magistrates.

AFFINES, AFFINITAS, or ADFINES, ADFINITAS. Affines are the *cognati* [COGNATI] of husband and wife, the cognati of the husband becoming the affines of the wife, and the cognati of the wife the affines of the husband. The father of a husband is the *socer* of the husband's wife, and the father of a wife is the *socer* of the wife's husband. The term *socrus* expresses the same affinity with respect to the husband's and wife's mothers. A son's wife is *nurus*, or daughter-in-law to the son's parents; a wife's husband is *gener*, or son-in-law to the wife's parents.

Thus the *avis*, *avia*—*pater*, *mater*—of the wife became by the marriage respectively the *socer magnus*, *prosocrus*, or *socrus magna*—*socer*, *socrus*—of the husband, who becomes with respect to them severally *progener* and *gener*. In like manner the corresponding ancestors of the husband respectively assume the same names with respect to the son's wife, who becomes with respect to them *pronurus* and *nurus*. The son and daughter of a husband or wife born of a prior marriage are called *primignus* and *privigna*, with respect to their step-father or step-mother; and with respect to such children the step-father and step-mother are severally called *vitricus* and *noverca*. The husband's brother becomes *levis* with respect to the wife, and his sister becomes *glos* (the Greek γάλως). Marriage was unlawful among persons who had become such affines as above mentioned.

AGALMA (ἄγαλμα), is a general name for a statue or image to represent a god.

AGA'SO, a groom, whose business it was to take care of the horses. The word is also used for a driver of beasts of burden. and is

AGER PUBLICUS.

sometimes applied to a slave who had to perform the lowest menial duties.

AGATHOERGI (Ἀγαθοεργοί). In time of war the kings of Sparta had a body-guard of three hundred of the noblest of the Spartan youths (ἱππεῖς), of whom the five eldest retired every year, and were employed for one year under the name of *Agathoergi*, in missions to foreign states.

AGE'MA (ἄγμα from ἄγω), the name of a chosen body of troops in the Macedonian army, usually consisting of horsemen.

AGER PUBLICUS, the public land, was the land belonging to the Roman state. It was a recognised principle among the Italian nations that the territory of a conquered people belonged to the conquerors. Accordingly, the Romans were constantly acquiring fresh territory by the conquest of the surrounding people. The land thus acquired was usually disposed of in the following way. 1. The land which was under cultivation was either distributed among colonists, who were sent to occupy it, or it was sold, or it was let out to farm. 2. The land which was then out of cultivation, and which, owing to war, was by far the greater part, might be occupied by any of the Roman citizens on the payment of a portion of the yearly produce; a tenth of the produce of arable land, and a fifth of the produce of the land planted with the vine, the olive, and other valuable trees. 3. The land which had previously served as the common pasture land of the conquered state, or was suitable for the purpose, continued to be used as pasture land for the use of the Roman citizens, who had, however, to pay a certain sum of money for the cattle which they turned upon the land.

The occupation of the public land spoken of above under the second head was always expressed by the words *possessio* and *possidere*, and the occupier of the land was called the *possessor*. The land continued to be the property of the state; and accordingly we must distinguish between the terms *possessio*, which merely indicated the use or enjoyment of the land, and *dominium*, which expressed ownership, and was applied to private land, of which a man had the absolute ownership. The right of occupying the public land belonged only to citizens, and consequently only to the patricians originally, as they were the state. The plebeians were only subjects, and consequently had no right to the property of the state; but it is probable that they were permitted to feed their cattle on the public pasture lands. Even when the plebeians became a separate estate by the constitution of Servius Tullius, they still obtained no right

to share in the possession of the public land, which continued to be the exclusive privilege of the patricians; but as a compensation, each individual plebeian received an assignment of a certain quantity of the public land as his own property. Henceforth the possession of the public land was the privilege of the patricians, and an assignment of a portion of it the privilege of the plebeians. As the state acquired new lands by conquest, the plebeians ought to have received assignments of part of them; but since the patricians were the governing body, they generally refused to make any such assignment, and continued to keep the whole as part of the *ager publicus*, whereby the enjoyment of it belonged to them alone. Hence, we constantly read of the plebeians claiming, and sometimes enforcing, a division of such land.

With the extension of the conquests of Rome, the *ager publicus* constantly increased, and thus a large portion of Italy fell into the hands of the patricians; who frequently withheld from the state the annual payments of a tenth and a fifth, which they were bound to pay for the possession of the land, and thus deprived the state of a fund for the expenses of the war. In addition to which they used slaves as cultivators and shepherds, since freemen were liable to be drawn off from field-labour to military service, and slave-labour was consequently far cheaper. In this way the number of free labourers diminished, and that of slaves was augmented.

To remedy this state of things several laws were from time to time proposed and carried, which were most violently opposed by the patricians. All laws which related to the public land, are called by the general title of *Leges Agrariae*, and accordingly all the early laws relating to the possession of the public land by the patricians, and to the assignment of portions of it to the plebeians, were strictly agrarian laws; but the first law to which this name is usually applied, was proposed soon after the establishment of the republic by the consul Sp. Cassius in B.C. 486. Its object was to set apart the portion of the public land which the patricians were to possess, to divide the rest among the plebeians, to levy the payment due for the possession, and to apply it to paying the army. The first law, however, which really deprived the patricians of the advantages they had previously enjoyed in the occupation of the public land was the agrarian law of C. Licinius Stolo (B.C. 366), which limited each individual's possession of public land to 500 jugera, and declared that no individual should have above 100 large and 500 smaller cattle on the public pastures: it

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farther enacted that the surplus land was to be divided among the plebeians. As this law, however, was soon disregarded, it was revived again by Tib. Sempronius Gracchus (B.C. 133), with some alterations and additions. The details of the other agrarian laws, mentioned in Roman history, are given under the name of the lex by which they are called. [Lex.]

AGGER (*ἄγρῳ*), from *ad* and *gero*, was used in general for a heap or mound of any kind. It was more particularly applied:—

1. To a mound, usually composed of earth, which was raised round a besieged town, and which was gradually increased in breadth and height, till it equalled or overtopped the walls. The agger was sometimes made not only of earth, but of wood, hurdles, &c.; whence we read of the agger being set on fire.
2. To the earthen wall surrounding a Roman encampment, composed of the earth dug from the ditch (*fossa*), which was usually 9 feet broad and 7 feet deep; but if any attack was apprehended, the depth was increased to 12 feet and the breadth to 13 feet. Sharp stakes, &c. were usually fixed upon the agger, which was then called *vallum*. When both words are used, the agger means the mound of earth, and the vallum the stakes, &c. which were fixed upon the agger.

AGITATO'RES. [CIRCUS.]

AGMEN, the marching order of the Roman army. The form of the army on march differed according to circumstances and the nature of the ground. An *agmen pilatum* was an army in close array; an *agmen quadratum* was an army arranged in the form of a square, with the baggage in the middle.

AGNĀ'TI. [COGNATI.]

AGNOMEN. [NOMEN.]

AGONA'LIA or AGONĪA, a Roman festival instituted by Numa Pompilius, in honour of Janus, and celebrated on the 9th of January, the 20th of May, and the 10th of December. The morning of these festivals, or, at least, the morning of the 10th of December, was considered a *dies nefastus*. The etymology of this name was differently explained by the ancients; some derived it from *Agonius*, a surname of Janus; some from the word *agone*, because the attendant, whose duty it was to sacrifice the victim, could not do so till he had asked the rex sacrificulus, *Agone?* and others from *agonia*, because the victims were formerly called by that name.

AGONOTHETAE (*ἀγωνοθέται*), persons in the Grecian games, who decided disputes, and adjudged the prizes to the victors. Originally, the person who instituted the contest, and offered the prize, was the *Agonothetes*, and this continued to be the practice in those

games which were instituted by kings or private persons. But in the great public games, such as the Isthmian, Pythian, &c., the *Agonothetae* were either the representatives of different states, as the Amphictyons at the Pythian games, or were chosen from the people in whose country the games were celebrated. During the flourishing times of the Grecian republics, the Eleans were the *Agonothetae* in the Olympic games, the Corinthians in the Isthmian games, the Amphictyons in the Pythian games, and the Corinthians, Argives, and inhabitants of Cleonae in the Nemean games. The *Agonothetae* were also called *Aesymnetae* (αἰσυννήται), *Agonarchae* (ἀγωνάρχαι), *Agonodicae* (ἀγωνοδίκαι), *Athlothetae* (ἀθλοθέται), *Rhabduchi* (ῥαβδοῦχοι), or *Rhabdonomi* (ῥαβδονόμοι, from the staff they carried as an emblem of authority), *Brabeis* (βραβεῖς), *Brabeutae* (βραβευται).

A GORA (ἀγορά) properly means an assembly of any kind, and is usually employed by Homer to designate the general assembly of the people. The Agora seems to have been considered an essential part of the constitution of the early Grecian states. It was usually convoked by the king, but occasionally by some distinguished chieftain, as, for example, by Achilles before Troy. The king occupied the most important seat in these assemblies, and near him sat the nobles, while the people stood or sat in a circle around them. The people appear to have had no right of speaking or voting in these assemblies, but merely to have been called together to hear what had been already agreed upon in the council of the nobles, and to express their feelings as a body. The council of the nobles is called *Boulé* (βουλή) and *Thócus* (θόκος), and sometimes even *Agora*.

Among the Athenians, the proper name for the assembly of the people was *Ecclesia* (ἐκκλησία), and among the Dorians *Halia* (ἅλια). The term *Agora* was confined at Athens to the assemblies of the phylae and demi.

The name *Agora* was early transferred from the assembly itself to the place in which the assembly was held; and thus it came to be used for the market-place, where goods of all descriptions were bought and sold. The expression *agora plethousa* (ἀγορά πλήθουσα), "full market," was used to signify the time from morning to noon, that is, from about nine to twelve o'clock.

AGORA'NOMI (ἀγορανόμοι), public functionaries in most of the Grecian states, whose duties corresponded in many respects with those of the Roman aediles. At Athens their number was ten, five for the city, and five

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for the Peiraeeus, and they were chosen by lot.

The principal duty of the Agoranomi was, as their name imports, to inspect the market, and to see that all the laws respecting its regulation were properly observed. They had the inspection of all things that were sold in the market, with the exception of corn, which was subject to the jurisdiction of special officers, called *Sitophylaces* (σιτοφύλακες).

AGRARIAN LAWS. [AGER PUBLICUS; LEX.]

AGRAU'LIA (ἀγραύλια), was a festival celebrated by the Athenians in honour of Agraalos, the daughter of Cecrops. It was perhaps connected with the solemn oath, which all Athenians, when they arrived at manhood (ἐφηβοί), were obliged to take in the temple of Agraalos, that they would fight for their country, and always observe its laws.

AGRIMENSO'RES, or "land surveyors," a college established under the Roman emperors. Like the jurisconsults, they had regular schools, and were paid handsome salaries by the state. Their business was to measure unassigned lands for the state, and ordinary lands for the proprietors, and to fix and maintain boundaries. Their writings on the subject of their art were very numerous; and we have still scientific treatises on the law of boundaries, such as those by Frontinus and Hyginus.

AGRIO'NIA (Ἀγριώνια), a festival which was celebrated at Orchomenus, in Boeotia, in honour of Bacchus, surnamed Agrionius. A human being used originally to be sacrificed at this festival, but this sacrifice seems to have been avoided in later times. One instance, however, occurred in the days of Plutarch.

AGRO'NOMI (ἀγορονόμοι), the country-police, probably in Attica, whose duties corresponded in most respects to those of the astynomi in the city, and who appear to have performed nearly the same duties as the hylori (ὄλωροι).

AGRO'TERAS THU'SIA (Ἀγροτέρας θυσία), a festival celebrated every year at Athens in honour of Diana, surnamed Agrotera (from ἀγρᾱ, the chase). It was solemnized on the sixth of the month of Boëdromion, and consisted in a sacrifice of 500 goats, which continued to be offered in the time of Xenophon. Its origin is thus related:—When the Persians invaded Attica, the Athenians made a vow to sacrifice to Artemis (Diana) Agrotera as many goats as there should be enemies slain at Marathon. But when the number of enemies slain was so great that an equal number

of goats could not be found at once, the Athenians decreed that 500 should be sacrificed every year.

ALISUMNETES (αἰσυνήτης), an individual, who was sometimes invested with unlimited power by the Greek states. His power, according to Aristotle, partook in some degree of the nature both of kingly and tyrannical authority, since he was appointed legally, and did not usurp the government, but at the same time was not bound by any laws in his public administration. The office was not hereditary, nor was it held for life, but it only continued for a certain time, or until some particular object was accomplished. Dionysius compares it with the dictatorship of the Romans.

ALABASTER or ALABASTRUM, a vessel or pot used for containing perfumes, or rather ointments, made of that species of marble which mineralogists call *gypsum*, and which is usually designated by the name of *alabaster*. When varieties of colour occur in the same stone, and are disposed in bands or horizontal strata, it is often called onyx alabaster; and when dispersed irregularly, as if in clouds, it is distinguished as agate alabaster. The term seems to have been employed to denote vessels appropriated to these uses, even when they were not made of the material from which it is supposed they originally received their name. Theocritus thus speaks of golden alabastra. These vessels were of a tapering shape, and very often had a long narrow neck, which was sealed; so that when Mary, the sister of Lazarus, is said by St. Mark to break the alabaster box of ointment for the purpose of anointing our Saviour, it appears probable that she only broke the extremity of the neck, which was thus closed.

ALA. ALARII. The troops of the allies in the Roman army were called *Alarii*, because they were usually stationed on the two wings (*alae*), and each of these two divisions of the allied troops was called an *Ala*. The *alarii* consisted both of horse and foot soldiers, and were commanded by praefecti, in the same manner as the legions were commanded by tribuni. The cavalry of the allies was called *equites alarii*, to distinguish them from the cavalry of the legions (*equites legionarii*), and the infantry was called *cohortes alariae*, to distinguish them from the *cohortes legionariae*. Under the empire the word *Ala* was applied to a regiment of cavalry, which usually consisted of 500 men.

ALAUDA, the name of a legion which Caesar levied in Cisalpine Gaul, and organized at his own expense during his Gallic wars. He afterwards gave the Roman citizenship to the soldiers of this legion. The soldiers

themselves were also called *Alaudae*, whence Cicero speaks of the *legio Alaudarum* and of *Alaudae ceterique veterani*. The legion was called *Alauda* or "lark," from the form of the crests which the soldiers wore on their helmets.

ALBUM, a tablet of any material on which the praetor's edicts, and the rules relating to actions and interdicts, were written. The tablet was put in a public place, in order that all the world might have notice of its contents. According to some authorities, the album was so called, because it was either a white material, or a material whitened, and of course the writing would be a different colour. According to other authorities, it was so called because the writing was in white letters.

Probably the word *album* originally meant any tablet containing anything of a public nature. We know that it was, in course of time, used to signify a list of any public body; thus we find *album iudicum*, or the body out of which judges were to be chosen [JUDex], and *album senatorium*, or list of senators.

A'LEA, gaming, or playing at a game of chance of any kind. Hence *aleo*, *aleator*, a gamester, a gambler. Playing with *tali*, or *tesseræ*, was generally understood, because this was by far the most common game of chance among the Romans.

Gaming was forbidden by the Roman laws, both during the times of the republic and under the emperors, but was tolerated in the month of December at the Saturnalia, which was a period of general relaxation; and old men were allowed to amuse themselves in this manner at all times.

ALIPTAE (ἀλειπται), among the Greeks, were persons who anointed the bodies of the athleteae preparatory to their entering the palaestra. The chief object of this anointing was to close the pores of the body, in order to prevent much perspiration, and the weakness consequent thereon. The athletea was again anointed after the contest, in order to restore the tone of the strained muscles. He then bathed, and had the dust, sweat, and oil scraped off his body, by means of an instrument similar to the strigil of the Romans, and called *stlengis* (στλέγγις), and afterwards *xystra* (ξύστρα). The aliptae took advantage of the knowledge they necessarily acquired of the state of the muscles of the athleteae, and their general strength or weakness of body, to advise them as to their exercises and mode of life. They were thus a kind of medical trainers.

Among the Romans, the aliptae were slaves who scrubbed and anointed their masters in the baths. They, too, like the Greek aliptae

appear to have attended to their masters' constitution and mode of life. They were also called *unctores*. They used in their operations a kind of scraper called strigil, towels (*lintea*), a cruise of oil (*guttus*), which was usually of horn, a bottle (*ampulla*), and a small vessel called *lenticula*.

ALLIES of the Romans. [SOCII.]

ALTARS. [ARA.]

ALTARE. [ARA.]

ALUTAE. [CALCEUS.]

ALYTAE (*Ἀλῦται*), persons whose business it was to keep order in the public games. They received their orders from an *alytarches* (*ἀλῦτάρχης*), who was himself under the direction of the agonothetae, or hellanodicae.

AMANUENSIS, or AD MANUM SERVUS, a slave, or freedman, whose office it was to write letters and other things under his master's direction.

The amanuenses must not be confounded with another sort of slaves, also called *ad manum servi*, who were always kept ready to be employed in any business.

AMARYNTHIA, or AMARYSIA (*Ἀμαρύνθια* or *Ἀμαρύσια*), a festival of Artemis (Diana) Amarynthia, or Amarysia, celebrated as it seems, originally at Amarynthus in Euboea, with extraordinary splendour, but also solemnized in several places in Attica, such as Athmone.

AMBARVALIA. [ARAVALES FRATRES.]

AMBASSADORS. [LEGATUS.]

AMBITUS, which literally signifies "a going about," cannot, perhaps, be more nearly expressed than by our word *canvassing*. After the plebs had formed a distinct class at Rome, and when the whole body of the citizens had become very greatly increased, we frequently read, in the Roman writers, of the great efforts which it was necessary for candidates to make in order to secure the votes of the citizens. At Rome, as in every community into which the element of popular election enters, solicitation of votes, and open or secret influence and bribery, were among the means by which a candidate secured his election to the offices of state. The following are the principal terms occurring in the Roman writers in relation to the canvassing for the public offices:—A candidate was called *petitor*; and his opponent with reference to him *competitor*. A candidate (*candidatus*) was so called from his appearing in public places, such as the fora and Campus Martius, before his fellow citizens, in a whitened toga. On such occasions the candidate was attended by his friends (*deductores*), or followed by the poorer citizens (*sectatores*), who could in no other manner show their good will or give their assistance. The word

assiduus expressed both the continual presence of the candidate at Rome and his continual solicitations. The candidate, in going his rounds or taking his walk, was accompanied by a *nomenclator*, who gave him the names of such persons as he might meet; the candidate was thus enabled to address them by their name, an indirect compliment, which could not fail to be generally gratifying to the electors. The candidate accompanied his address with a shake of the hand (*pressatio*). The term *benignitas* comprehended generally any kind of treating, as shows, feasts, &c.

The *ambitus*, which was the object of several penal enactments, taken as a generic term, comprehended the two species,—*ambitus* and *largitiones* (bribery). *Liberalitas* and *benignitas* are opposed by Cicero, as things allowable, to *ambitus* and *largitio*, as things illegal. Money was paid for votes; and in order to insure secrecy and secure the elector, persons called *interpretes* were employed to make the bargain, *sequestres* to hold the money till it was to be paid, and *divisores* to distribute it. The offence of *ambitus* was a matter which belonged to the *judicia publica*, and the enactments against it were numerous. One of the earliest, though not the earliest of all, the Lex Cornelia Baebia (b. c. 181) was specially directed against *largitiones*. The Lex Cornelia Fulvia (b. c. 159) punished the offence with exile. The Lex Acilia Calpurnia (b. c. 67) imposed a fine on the offending party, with exclusion from the senate and all public offices. The Lex Tullia (b. c. 63), passed in the consulship of Cicero, in addition to the penalty of the Acilian law, inflicted ten years' *exsilium* on the offender; and, among other things, forbade a person to exhibit gladiatorial shows (*gladiatores dare*) within any two years in which he was a candidate, unless he was required to do so, on a fixed day, by a testator's will. Two years afterwards, the Lex Aufidia was passed, by which, among other things, it was provided that, if a candidate promised (*pronuntiavit*) money to a tribe, and did not pay it, he should be unpunished; but, if he did pay the money, he should further pay to each tribe (annually?) 3000 sesterces as long as he lived. This enactment occasioned the witticisms of Cicero, who said that Clodius observed this law by anticipation; for he promised, but did not pay. The Lex Licinia (b. c. 58) was specially directed against the offence of *sodalitium*, or the wholesale bribery of a tribe by gifts and treating; and another lex, passed (b. c. 52), when Pompey was sole consul, had for its object the establishment of a speedier course of proceeding on trials for *ambitus*. All these enact

ments failed in completely accomplishing their object. That which no law could suppress, so long as the old popular forms retained any of their pristine vigour, was accomplished by the imperial usurpation. Caesar, when dictator, nominated half the candidates for public offices, except the candidates for the consulship, and notified his pleasure to the tribes by a civil circular; the populus chose the other half; and Tiberius transferred the elections from the comitia to the senate, by which the offence of ambitus, in its proper sense, entirely disappeared.

The trials for ambitus were numerous in the time of the republic. The oration of Cicero in defence of L. Murena, who was charged with ambitus, and that in defence of Cn. Plancius, who was charged with *sodalitium*, are both extant.

AMBROSIA (ἄμβροσία), the food of the gods, which conferred upon them eternal youth and immortality, and was brought to Jupiter by pigeons. It was also used by the gods for anointing their body and hair; whence we read of the ambrosial locks of Jupiter.

AMBUBAIAE (probably from the Syriac, *abub*, *aubub*, a pipe), Eastern dancing girls, who frequented chiefly the circus at Rome, and obtained their living by prostitution and lascivious songs and dances.

AMBU'RBIUM, a sacrifice which was performed at Rome for the purification of the city.

AMICTUS. The verb *amicire* is commonly opposed to *induere*, the former being applied to the putting on of the outer garment, the pallium, laena, or toga (ἡμίτιον, φῶρος); the latter, to the putting on of the inner garment, the tunic (χιτών). In consequence of this distinction, the verbal nouns *amicitus* and *indutus*, even without any farther denomination of the dress being added, indicate respectively the outer and inner clothing.

In Greek *amicire* is expressed by ἀμφιένν-σθαι, ἀμπέχεσθαι, ἐπιβάλλεσθαι, περιβάλλεσθαι: and *induere* by ἐνδύνειν. Hence came ἀμπέχων, ἐπιβλήμα, and ἐπιβάλαιον, περιβλήμα, and περιβόλαιον, an outer garment, a cloak, a shawl; and ἐνδύμα, an inner garment, a tunic, a shirt.

AMENTUM, a leathern thong tied to the middle of the spear, to assist in throwing it. We are not informed how the amentum added to the effect of throwing the lance; perhaps it was by giving it rotation; and hence a greater degree of steadiness and directness in its flight, as in the case of a ball shot from a rifle gun. This supposition accounts for the frequent use of the verb *torquere*, to whirl or

twist, in connection with this subject. The amentum was called *ancule* (ἀγκύλη) in Greek, and the verb ἐναγκυλάω was used in reference to the fastening of the thong to the spear or javelin.

In the annexed figure the amentum seems to be attached to the spear at the centre of gravity, a little above the middle.



Amentum.

AMMA (ἄμμα), a Greek measure of length, equal to forty πήχεις (cubits), or sixty πόδες (feet); that is, twenty yards 8.1 inches English. It was used in measuring land.

AMPHICTYONES (Ἀμφικτύονες). Institutions called amphictyonic appear to have existed in Greece from time immemorial. They seem to have been originally associations of neighbouring tribes, formed for the regulation of mutual intercourse and the protection of a common temple or sanctuary, at which the representatives of the different members met, both to transact business and to celebrate religious rites and games. One of these associations was of much greater importance than all the rest, and was called by way of eminence, the *Amphictyonic League* or

Council (Ἀμφικτυονία). It differed from other similar associations in having two places of meeting, the sanctuaries of two divinities; which were the temple of Demeter (Ceres), in a village of Anthela, near Thermopylae, where the deputies met in autumn; and that of Apollo, at Delphi, where they assembled in spring. Its connexion with the latter place not only contributed to its dignity, but also to its permanence.

Its early history is involved in obscurity. Most of the ancients suppose it to have been founded by Amphictyon, the son of Deucaion and Pyrrha, from whom they imagined that it derived its name: but this opinion is destitute of all foundation, and arose from the ancients assigning the establishment of their institutions to some mythical hero. There can be little doubt as to the true etymology of the word. It was originally written ἀμφικτῖνες, and consequently signified those that dwelt around some particular locality. Its institution, however, is clearly of remote antiquity. It was originally composed of twelve tribes (not cities or states, it must be observed), each of which tribes contained various independent cities or states. We learn from Aeschines that, in B. C. 343, eleven of these tribes were as follows: The Thessalians, Boeotians (not Thebans only), Dorians, Ionians, Perrhaebians, Magnes, Locrians, Oetaeans or Oenianians, Phthiots or Achaeans of Phthia, Malians, and Phocians; other lists leave us in doubt whether the remaining tribe were the Dolopes or Delphians; but as the Delphians could hardly be called a distinct tribe, their nobles appearing to have been Dorians, it seems probable that the Dolopes were originally members, and afterwards supplanted by the Delphians. All the states belonging to each of these tribes were on a footing of perfect equality. Thus Sparta enjoyed no advantages over Dorium and Cytinium, two small towns in Doris: and Athens, an Ionic city, was on a par with Eretria in Euboea, and Priene in Asia Minor, two other Ionic cities.

The ordinary council was called *Pylaea* (πυλαία), from its meeting in the neighbourhood of Pylae (Thermopylae), but the same name was given to the session at Delphi as well as to that at Thermopylae. The council was composed of two classes of representatives, one called *Pylagorae* (Πυλαγόραι), and the other *Hieromnemones* (Ἱερομνήμονες). Athens sent three Pylagorae and one Hieromnemon; of whom the former were elected apparently for each session, and the latter by lot probably for a longer period. Respecting the relative duties of the Pylagorae and Hieromnemones we have little information: the

name of the latter implies that they had a more immediate connexion with the temple. We are equally in the dark respecting the numbers who sat in the council and its mode of proceeding. It would seem that all the deputies had seats in the council, and took part in its deliberations; but if it be true, as appears from Aeschines, that each of the tribes had only two votes, it is clear that all the deputies could not have voted.

In addition to the ordinary council, there was an *ecclesia* (ἐκκλησία), or general assembly, including not only the classes above mentioned, but also those who had joined in the sacrifices, and were consulting the god. It was convened on extraordinary occasions by the chairman of the council.

Of the duties of the Amphictyons nothing will give us a clearer view than the oath they took, which was as follows:—"They would destroy no city of the Amphictyons, nor cut off their streams in war or peace; and if any should do so, they would march against him, and destroy his cities; and should any pillage the property of the god, or be privy to or plan anything against what was in his temple (at Delphi), they would take vengeance on him with hand and foot, and voice, and all their might." From this oath we see that the main duty of the deputies was the preservation of the rights and dignity of the temple of Delphi. We know, too, that after it was burnt down (B. C. 548), they contracted with the Alcmaeonidae for the rebuilding. History, moreover, teaches that if the council produced any palpable effects, it was from their interest in Delphi; and though it kept up a standing record of what ought to have been the international law of Greece, it sometimes acquiesced in, and at other times was a party to, the most iniquitous acts. Of this the case of Crissa is an instance. This town lay on the Gulf of Corinth, near Delphi, and was much frequented by pilgrims from the West. The Crissaeans were charged by the Delphians with undue exactions from these strangers. The council was against them, as guilty of a wrong against the god. The war lasted ten years, till, at the suggestion of Solon, the waters of the Pleistus were turned off, then poisoned, and turned again into the city. The besieged drank their fill, and Crissa was soon razed to the ground; and thus, if it were an Amphictyonic city, was a solemn oath doubly violated. Its territory—the rich Cirrhaean plain—was consecrated to the god, and curses imprecated upon whomsoever should till or dwell in it. Thus ended the First Sacred War (B. C. 585), in which the Athe-

nians were the instruments of Delphian vengeance.

The second, or Phocian War (B. C. 350), was the most important, in which the Amphictyons were concerned; and in this the Thebans availed themselves of the sanction of the council to take vengeance on their enemies, the Phocians. To do this, however, it was necessary to call in Philip of Macedon, who readily proclaimed himself the champion of Apollo, as it opened a pathway to his own ambition. The Phocians were subdued (B. C. 346), and the council decreed that all their cities, except Abae, should be razed, and the inhabitants dispersed in villages not containing more than fifty persons. Their two votes were given to Philip, who thereby gained a pretext for interfering with the affairs of Greece; and also obtained the recognition of his subjects as Hellenes.

The Third Sacred War arose from the Amphissians tilling the devoted Cirrhaean plain. The Amphictyons called in the assistance of Philip, who soon reduced the Amphissians to subjection. Their submission was immediately followed by the battle of Chaeroneia (B. C. 338), and the extinction of the independence of Greece. In the following year, a congress of the Amphictyonic states was held, in which war was declared as if by united Greece against Persia, and Philip elected commander-in-chief. On this occasion the Amphictyons assumed the character of national representatives as of old, when they set a price upon the head of Ephialtes, for his treason to Greece at Thermopylae.

It has been sufficiently shown that the Amphictyons themselves did not observe the oaths they took; and that they did not much alleviate the horrors of war, or enforce what they had sworn to do, is proved by many instances. Thus, for instance, Mycenae was destroyed by Argos (B. C. 535), Thespieae and Plataea by Thebes, and Thebes herself swept from the face of the earth by Alexander, without the Amphictyons raising one word in opposition. Indeed, a few years before the Peloponnesian war, the council was a passive spectator of what Thucydides calls the Sacred War (*ὁ ἐπὶ πόλεμος*), when the Lacedaemonians made an expedition to Delphi, and put the temple into the hands of the Delphians, the Athenians, after their departure, restoring it to the Phocians. The council is rarely mentioned after the time of Philip. We are told that Augustus wished his new city, Nicopolis (A. D. 31), to be enrolled among the members. Pausanias, in the second century of our era, mentions it as still existing, but deprived of all power and influence.

AMPHIDROMIA (*Ἀμφιδρόμια* or *Δρομίδιον ἥμαρ*), a family festival of the Athenians, at which the newly-born child was introduced into the family, and received its name. The friends and relations of the parents were invited to the festival of the amphidromia, which was held in the evening, and they generally appeared with presents. The house was decorated on the outside with olive branches when the child was a boy, or with garlands of wool when the child was a girl; and a repast was prepared for the guests. The child was carried round the fire by the nurse, and thus, as it were, presented to the gods of the house and to the family, and at the same time received its name, to which the guests were witnesses. The carrying of the child round the hearth was the principal part of the solemnity, from which its name was derived.

AMPHITHEATRUM, an amphitheatre, was a place for the exhibition of public shows of combatants and wild beasts, entirely surrounded by seats for the spectators; whereas, in those for dramatic performances, the seats were arranged in a semicircle facing the stage. An amphitheatre is therefore frequently described as a double theatre, consisting of two such semicircles, or halves, joined together, the spaces allotted to their orchestras becoming the inner inclosure, or area, termed the *arena*. The form, however, of the ancient amphitheatres was not a circle, but invariably an ellipse.

Gladiatorial shows and combats of wild beasts (*venationes*) were first exhibited in the forum and the circus; and it appears that the ancient custom was still preserved till the time of Julius Caesar. The first building in the form of an amphitheatre is said to have been erected by M. Scribonius Curio, one of Caesar's partisans; but the account which is given of this building sounds rather fabulous. It is said to have consisted of two wooden theatres made to revolve on pivots, in such a manner that they could, by means of windlasses and machinery, be turned round face to face, so as to form one building. Soon after Caesar himself erected a real amphitheatre in the Campus Martius, made of wood; to which building the name of *amphitheatrum* was for the first time given.

The first stone amphitheatre was built by Statilius Taurus, in the Campus Martius, at the desire of Augustus. This was the only stone amphitheatre at Rome till the time of Vespasian. One was commenced by Caligula, but was not continued by Claudius. The one erected by Nero in the Campus Martius was only a temporary building, made of wood.

The amphitheatre of Statilius Taurus was burnt in the fire of Rome in the time of Nero; and hence, as a new one was needed, Vespasian commenced the celebrated *Amphitheatrum Flavianum* in the middle of the city, in the valley between the Caelian, the Esquiline, and the Velia, on the spot originally occupied by the lake or large pond attached to Nero's palace. Vespasian did not live to finish it. It was dedicated by Titus in A. D. 80, but was not completely finished till the reign of Domitian. This immense edifice, which is even yet comparatively entire, covered about five acres of ground, and was capable of containing about 87,000 spectators. It is called at the present day the *Colosseum*.

The interior of an amphitheatre was divided into three parts, the *arena*, *podium*, and *gradus*. The clear open space in the centre of the amphitheatre was called the *arena*, because it was covered with sand, or sawdust, to prevent the gladiators from slipping, and to absorb the blood. The size of the arena was not always the same in proportion to the size of the amphitheatre, but its average proportion was one third of the shorter diameter of the building.

The arena was surrounded by a wall distinguished by the name of *podium*; although such appellation, perhaps, rather belongs to merely the upper part of it, forming the parapet, or balcony, before the first or lowermost seats, nearest to the arena. The arena, therefore, was no more than an open oval court, surrounded by a wall about eighteen feet high, measuring from the ground to the top of the parapet; a height considered necessary, in order to render the spectators perfectly secure from the attacks of wild beasts. There were four principal entrances leading into the arena; two at the ends of each axis or diameter of it, to which as many passages led directly from the exterior of the building; besides secondary ones, intervening between them, and communicating with the corridors beneath the seats on the podium.

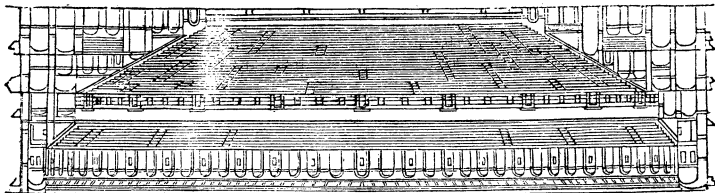
The wall or enclosure of the arena is supposed to have been faced with marble, more or less sumptuous; besides which, there appears to have been, in some instances at least, a sort of network affixed to the top of the podium, consisting of railing, or rather open trellis-work of metal. As a farther defence, litches, called *euripti*, sometimes surrounded the arena.

The term podium was also applied to the terrace, or gallery itself, immediately above the arena, which was no wider than to be capable of containing two, or at the most three

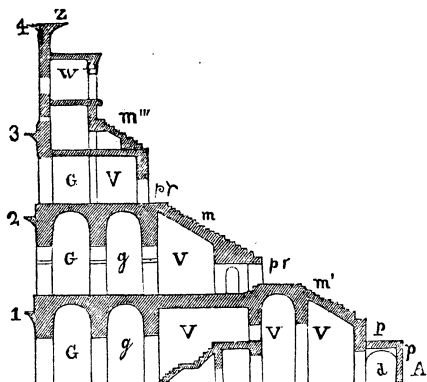
ranges of movable seats, or chairs. This, as being by far the best situation for distinctly viewing the sports in the arena, and also more commodiously accessible than the seats higher up, was the place set apart for senators and other persons of distinction, such as the ambassadors of foreign parts; and it was here, also, that the emperor himself used to sit, in an elevated place, called *suggestus* or *cubiculum*, and likewise the person who exhibited the games on a place elevated like a pulpit or tribunal (*editoris tribunal*).

Above the podium were the *gradus*, or seats of the other spectators, which were divided into *maeniana*, or stories. The first *maenium*, consisting of fourteen rows of stone or marble seats, was appropriated to the equestrian order. The seats appropriated to the senators and equites were covered with cushions, which were first used in the time of Caligula. Then, after an interval or space, termed a *praecinctio*, and forming a continued landing-place from the several staircases in it, succeeded the second *maenium*, where were the seats called *popularia*, for the third class of spectators, or the populus. Behind this was the second *praecinctio*, bounded by a rather high wall; above which was the third *maenium*, where there were only wooden benches for the *pullati*, or common people. The next and last division, namely, that in the highest part of the building, consisted of a colonnade, or gallery, where females were allowed to witness the spectacles of the amphitheatre, some parts of which were also occupied by the *pullati*. Each *maenium* was not only divided from the other by the *praecinctio*, but was intersected at intervals by spaces for passages left between the seats, called *scalae*, or *scalaria*; and the portion between two such passages was called *cuneus*, because the space gradually widened like a wedge, from the podium to the top of the building. The entrances to the seats from the outer porticoes were called *vomitoria*. At the very summit was the narrow platform for the men who had to attend to the *velarium*, or awning, by which the building was covered as a defence against the sun and rain. The *velarium* appears usually to have been made of wood, but more costly materials were sometimes employed.

The first of the following cuts represents a longitudinal section of the Flavian amphitheatre, and the second, which is on a larger scale, a part of the above section, including the exterior wall, and the seats included between that and the arena. It will serve to convey an idea of the leading form and general disposition of the interior.



Longitudinal Section of the Flavian Amphitheatre.



Elevation of one side of the preceding section.

EXPLANATION.

- A, The arena.
 p, The wall or podium inclosing it.
 P, The podium itself, on which were chairs, or seats, for the senators, &c.
 m', The first maenianum, or slope of benches, for the equestrian order.
 m'', The second maenianum.
 m''', The third maenianum, elevated considerably above the preceding one, and appropriated to the pullati.
 w, The colonnade, or gallery, which contained seats for women.
 z, The narrow gallery round the summit of the interior, for the attendants who worked the velarium.
 pr, pr, The praecinctiones, or landings, at the top of the first and second maenianum; in the pavement of which were grated apertures, at intervals, to admit light into the vomitoria beneath them.
 v v v v, Vomitoria.
 g g g, The three external galleries through

the circumference of the building, open to the arcades of the exterior.

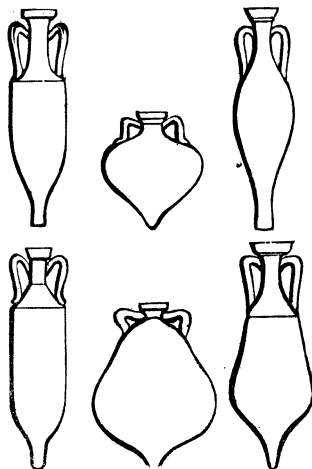
g g, Inner gallery.

The situation and arrangement of the stair cases, &c., are not expressed, as they could not be rendered intelligible without plans at various levels of the building.

For an account of the gladiatorial contests, and the shows of wild beasts, exhibited in the amphitheatre, see GLADIATORES and VENATIO.

A'MPHORA (ἀμφορεύς), a vessel used for holding wine, oil, honey, &c.

The following cut represents amphorae in the British Museum. They are of various forms and sizes; in general they are tall and narrow, with a small neck, and a handle on



Amphorae.

each side of the neck (whence the name, from ἀμφί, on both sides, and φέρω, to carry), and terminating at the bottom in a point, which

was let into a stand or stuck in the ground, so that the vessel stood upright: several amphorae have been found in this position in the cellars at Pompeii. Amphorae were commonly made of earthenware. Homer mentions amphorae of gold and stone, and the Egyptians had them of brass; glass vessels of this form have been found at Pompeii.

The most common use of the amphora, both among the Greeks and the Romans, was for keeping wine. The cork was covered with pitch or gypsum, and (among the Romans) on the outside the title of the wine was painted, the date of the vintage being marked by the names of the consuls then in office; or, when the jars were of glass, little tickets (*pittoria*, *tesserae*) were suspended from them, indicating these particulars.



Mode of filling Amphorae from a Wine-Cart.

The Greek amphoreus and the Roman amphora were also names of fixed measures. The amphoreus, which was also called *metretes* (*μετρητής*), and *cadus* (*κάδος*), was equal to three Roman urnae = 8 gallons, 7.365 pints, imperial measure. The Roman amphora was two-thirds of the amphoreus, and was equal to 2 urnae = 8 congi = to 5 gallons, 7.577 pints; its solid content was exactly a Roman cubic foot.

AMPLIATIO, an adjournment of a trial, which took place when the judges, after hearing the evidence of the advocates, were unable to come to a satisfactory conclusion. This they expressed by giving in the tablets, on which were the letters N. L. (*non liquet*), and the praetor, by pronouncing the word *amplus*, thereupon adjourned the trial to any day he chose. The defendant and the cause were then said *ampliari*.

AMPYX (*ἄμπυξ*, *ἄμπυκτήρ*, Lat. *frontale*), a frontal, a broad band or plate of metal, which ladies of rank wore above the forehead as part of the head-dress. The frontal of a horse was called by the same name. The annexed cut exhibits the frontal on the head of Pegasus, in contrast with the corresponding ornament as shown on the heads of two females.



Ampyces, Frontlets.

AMPULLA (*ἀγκυθος*, *βουβύλλος*), a bottle, usually made among the Romans, either of glass or earthenware, rarely of more valuable materials. The dealer in bottles was called *ampullarius*.

AMULETUM (*περίπτρον*, *περίαμμα*, *φυλακτήριον*), an amulet.

This word in Arabic (*hamalet*) means *that which is suspended*. It was probably brought by Arabian merchants, together with the articles to which it was applied, when they were imported into Europe from the East.

An amulet was any object—a stone, a plant, an artificial production, or a piece of writing—which was suspended from the neck, or tied to any part of the body, for the purpose of warding off calamities and securing advantages of any kind. Faith in the virtues of amulets was almost universal in the ancient world, so that the whole art of medicine consisted in a very considerable degree of directions for their application.

ANACEIA (*Ἀνάκεια*, or *Ἀνάκειον*), a festival of the Dioscuri or Anactes (*Ἀνακτες*) as they were called at Athens. These heroes, however, received the most distinguished honours in the Dorian and Achaean states, where it may be supposed that every town celebrated a festival in their honour, though not under the name of Anaceia.

ANACRISIS (*ἀνάκρισις*), an examination, was used to signify the pleadings preparatory to a trial at Athens, the object of which was

to determine, generally, if the action would lie. The magistrates were said *ἀνακρίνειν τὴν δίκην* or *τοὺς ἀντιδίκους*, and the parties *ἀνακρίνεσθαι*. The process consisted in the production of proofs, of which there were five kinds:—1. the laws; 2. written documents; 3. testimonies of witnesses present (*μαρτυρία*); or affidavits of absent witnesses (*ἐκμαρτυρία*); 4. depositions of slaves extorted by the rack; 5. the oath of the parties. All these proofs were committed to writing, and placed in a box secured by a seal (*ἐχίνο*) till they were produced at the trial.

If the evidence produced at the anacrisis was so clear and convincing that there could not remain any doubt, the magistrate could decide the question without sending the cause to be tried before the dicasts: this was called *diamartyria* (*διαμαρτυρία*). The archons were the proper officers for holding the anacrisis; they are represented by Athena (Minerva), in the *Eumenides* of Aeschylus, where there is a poetical sketch of the process in the law courts.

For an account of the *anacrisis* or examination, which each archon underwent previously to entering on office, see *ARCHON*.

ANAGNOTES, slaves, whose duty it was to read or repeat passages from books during an entertainment, and also at other times.

ANATOCISMUS. [*FENUS*.]

ANCHOR. [*ANCORA*.]

ANCILE, the sacred shield carried by the Salii, and made of bronze.

The original ancile was found, according to tradition, in the palace of Numa; and, as no



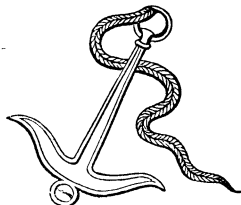
Ancilia carried by Salii.

human hand had brought it there, it was concluded that it had been sent from heaven. At the same time, the haruspices declared that

the Roman state would endure so long as this shield remained in Rome. To secure its preservation in the city, Numa ordered eleven other shields, exactly like it, to be made by the armourer, Mamurius Veturius, and twelve priests of Mars Gradius were appointed under the denomination of Salii, whose office it was to preserve the twelve ancilia. They were kept in the temple of that divinity, on the Palatine mount, and were taken from it only once a year, on the calends of March. The feast of the god was then observed during several days; when the Salii carried their shields about the city, singing songs in praise of Mars, Numa, and Mamurius Veturius, and at the same time performing a dance, which probably in some degree resembled our morris dances, and in which they struck the shields with rods, so as to keep time with their voices, and with the movements of their dance. The preceding cut shows one of these rods, as represented on the tomb of a *pontifex salius*, or chief of the Salii.

ANCORA (*ἄγκυρα*), an anchor.

The anchor used by the ancients was for the most part made of iron, and its form resembled that of the modern anchor. The shape of the two extremities illustrates the *unco morsu* and *dente tenaci* of Virgil. Indeed, the Greek and



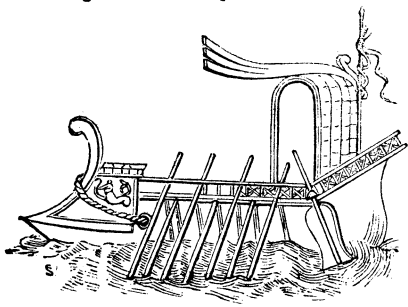
Ancora.

Latin names themselves express the essential property of the anchor being allied to *ἄγκυλος*, *ἄγκων*, *angulus*, *uncus*, &c.

The anchor as here represented and as commonly used, was called *bidens*, *διπλῆ*, *ἀμφίβολος* or *ἀμφίστομος*, because it had two teeth or flukes. Sometimes it had one only, and then it had the epithet *ἑτερόστομος*. The following expressions were used for the three principal processes in managing the anchor:—*Ancoram solvere*, *ἄγκυραν χαλᾶν*, to loose the anchor. *Ancoram jacere*, *βάλλειν*, *ρίπτειν*, to cast anchor. *Ancoram tollere*, *αἶρειν*, *ἀναρρῆσαι*, *ἀνάσπασθαι*, to weigh anchor. Hence *αἶρειν* by itself meant to *set sail*, *ἄγκυραν* being understood.

The anchor usually lay on the deck, and was

attached to a cable (*jumis*), which passed through a hole in the prow, termed *oculus*.



Galley with the Cable to which the Anchor is attached passing through the *Oculus* in the Prow.

In the heroic times of Greece we find large stones, called *evvai* (*sleepers*), used instead of anchors.

ANDABATA. [GLADIATOR.]

ANDROLEPSIA or ANDROLEPSION (*ἀνδροληψία* or *ἀνδρολήψιον*), the right of reprisals, a custom recognized by the international law of the Greeks, that, when a citizen of one state had killed a citizen of another, and the countrymen of the former would not surrender him to the relatives of the deceased, it should be lawful to seize upon three, and not more, of the countrymen of the offender, and keep them as hostages till satisfaction was afforded, or the homicide given up.

ANGUSTICLAVI. [CLAVUS.]

ANNO'NA (from *annus*, like *pomona* from *pomum*). 1. The produce of the year in corn, fruit, wine, &c., and hence, 2. Provisions in general, especially the corn, which, in the later years of the republic, was collected in the storehouses of the state, and sold to the poor at a cheap rate in times of scarcity; and which, under the emperors, was distributed to the people gratuitously, or given as pay and rewards. 3. The price of provisions. 4. A soldier's allowance of provisions for a certain time. It is used also in the plural for yearly or monthly distributions of pay in corn, &c.

ANNULUS (*δακτύλιος*), a ring.

It is probable that the custom of wearing rings was introduced into Greece from Asia, where it appears to have been almost universal. They were worn not merely as ornaments, but as articles for use, as the ring always served as a seal. A seal was called *sphragis* (*σφραγίς*), and hence this name was given to the ring itself, and also to the gem or stone for a ring in which figures were en-

graved. Rings in Greece were mostly worn on the fourth finger (*παράμυρος*).

At Rome, the custom of wearing rings was believed to have been introduced by the Sabines, who were described in the early legends as wearing golden rings with precious stones of great beauty. But whenever introduced at Rome, it is certain that they were at first always of iron; that they were destined for the same purpose as in Greece, namely, to be used as seals; and that every free Roman had a right to use such a ring. This iron ring was worn down to the last period of the republic by such men as loved the simplicity of the good old times. In the course of time, however, it became customary for all the senators, chief magistrates, and at last for the equites also, to wear a golden seal-ring. The right of wearing a gold ring, which was subsequently called the *jus annuli aurei*, or the *jus annulorum*, remained for several centuries at Rome the exclusive privilege of senators, magistrates, and equites, while all other persons continued to wear iron ones.

During the empire the right of granting the annulus aureus belonged to the emperors, and some of them were not very scrupulous in conferring this privilege. The emperors Severus and Aurelian conferred the right of wearing golden rings upon all Roman soldiers; and Justinian at length allowed all the citizens of the empire, whether ingenui or libertini, to wear such rings.

During the republic, and the early times of the empire, the *jus annuli* seems to have made a person ingenuus (if he was a libertus), and to have raised him to the rank of eques, provided he had the requisite equestrian census, and it was probably never granted to any one who did not possess this census. Those who lost their property, or were found guilty of a criminal offence, lost the *jus annuli*.

The signs engraved upon rings were very various: they were portraits of ancestors or of friends, subjects connected with mythology; and in many cases a person had engraved upon his seal symbolical allusion to the real or mythical history of his family. The part of the ring which contained the gem was called *pala*.

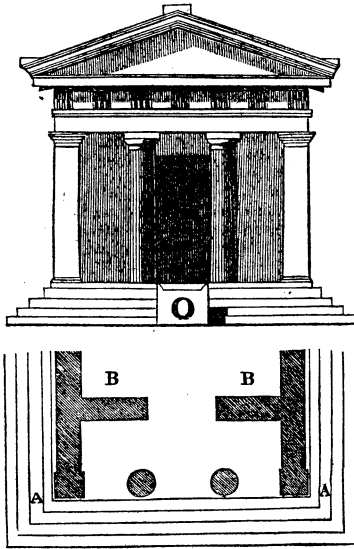
With the increasing love of luxury and show, the Romans, as well as the Greeks, covered their fingers with rings. Some persons also wore rings of immoderate size, and others used different rings for summer and winter.

ANNUS. [CALENDARIUM.]

ANQUISITIO, signified, in criminal trials at Rome, the investigation of the facts of the case with reference to the penalty that was

to be imposed: accordingly the phrases *pecunia capitis*, or *capitis anquirere* are used. Under the emperors the term *anquisitio* lost its original meaning, and was employed to indicate an accusation in general; in which sense it also occurs even in the times of the republic.

ANTAE (*παραστάδες*), square pillars, which were commonly joined to the side-walls of a building, being placed on each side of the door, so as to assist in forming the portico. These terms are seldom found except in the plural; because the purpose served by antae required that they should be erected corresponding to each other, and supporting the extremities of the same roof. Their position and form will be best understood from the cut, in which AA are the antae. The temple in *antis* was one of the simplest kind. It had in front antae attached to the walls which inclosed the cella; and in the middle, between the antae, two columns supporting the architrave. The following is a specimen of the temple in *antis*, together with a plan of the pronaos.



Temple in *antis*.

A, A, the antae; B, B, the cella or *ναός*; O, the altar.

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ANTEAMBULO'NES, slaves who were accustomed to go before their masters, in order to make way for them through the crowd. The term *anteambulones* was also given to the clients, who were accustomed to walk before their patroni, when the latter appeared in public.

ANTECESSO'RES, called also ANTECURSO'RES, horse-soldiers, who were accustomed to precede an army on march, in order to choose a suitable place for the camp, and to make the necessary provisions for the army. They do not appear to have been merely scouts, like the *speculatores*.

ANTEFIXA, terra-cottas, which exhibited various ornamental designs, and were used in architecture to cover the frieze (*zophorus*) of the entablature.

These terra-cottas do not appear to have been used among the Greeks, but were probably Etruscan in their origin, and were thence taken for the decoration of Roman buildings.

The name *antefixa* is evidently derived from the circumstance that they were *fixed before* the buildings which they adorned. Cato, the censor, complained that the Romans of his time began to despise ornaments of this description, and to prefer the marble friezes of Athens and Corinth. The rising taste which Cato deplored may account for the superior beauty of the antefixa preserved in the British Museum, which were discovered at Rome.



Antefixa representing Minerva superintending the construction of the Ship Argo.

The two imperfect antefixa that follow, are among those found at Velletri, and described by Carloni. (*Roma*, 1785.)



Antenna.

ANTENNA, (*κεραία, κέρας*), the yard of a ship. The ships of the ancients had a single mast in the middle, and a square sail, to raise and support which a transverse pole, or yard (*antenna*), was extended across the mast, not far from the top. To the two extremities of the yard (*cornua, ἀγκυρόκεραία*), ropes (*funes*) were attached, which passed over the top of the mast, and thus supported the yard: these ropes were called *ceruchi*. Sometimes the yard had two, and at other times four *ceruchi*, as in the annexed cut.



Antenna, Yard of a Ship.

When a storm arose, or when the port was obtained, or before an engagement, the antenna was lowered to the middle of the mast.

From numerous representations of ships on antique coins, intaglios, lamps, and bas-reliefs, we here select two gems, both of which show

the *velata antenna*, but with the sail reefed in the one, and in the other expanded and swollen with the wind.



Velata Antenna.

ANTEPILANI. [EXERCITUS.]

ANTESIGNANI appear to have been a body of troops, selected for the defence of the standard (*signum*), before which they were stationed. They were not light troops, as some have supposed, and they were probably selected for this duty on account of their bravery and experience in war.

ANTIDOSIS (*ἀντίδοσις*), in its literal and general meaning, "an exchange," was, in the language of the Attic courts, peculiarly applied to proceedings under a law which is said to have originated with Solon. By this, a citizen nominated to perform a *leiturgia*, such as a trierarchy or choregia, or to rank among the property-tax payers, in a class disproportioned to his means, was empowered to call upon any qualified person not so charged to take the office in his stead, or submit to a complete exchange of property, the charge in question of course attaching to the first party, if the exchange were finally effected. For the proceedings the courts were opened at a stated time every year by the magistrates that had official cognizance of the particular subject; such as the *strategi* in cases of trierarchy and rating to the property-taxes, and the *archon* in those of choregia.

ANTIGRAPHE (*ἀντιγραφή*), originally signified the writing put in by the defendant, his "plea" in all causes whether public or private, in answer to the indictment or bill of the prosecutor. It is, however, also applied to the bill or indictment of the plaintiff or accuser.

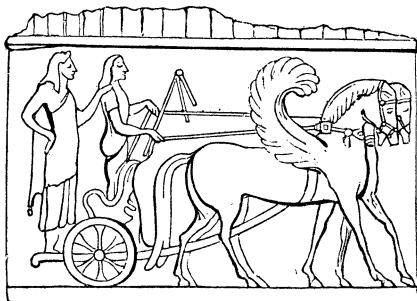
ANTLIA (*ἀντλία*), any machine for raising water, a pump.

The most important of these machines were:—1. The *tympanum*; a tread-wheel, wrought by men treading on it. 2. A wheel having wooden boxes or buckets, so arranged as to form steps for those who trod the wheel. 3. The chain pump. 4. The *cochlea*, or Archimedes's screw. 5. The *tesibica machina*,

or forcing pump. Criminals were condemned to the *antlia* or tread-mill.

ANTYX (*ἀντὺξ*), the rim or border of any thing, especially of a shield or chariot. The rim of the large round shield of the ancient Greeks, was thinner than the part which it enclosed : but on the other hand, the antyx of a chariot must have been thicker than the body to which it gave both form and strength.

In front of the chariot the antyx was often raised above the body, into the form of a curvature, which served the purpose of a hook to hang the reins upon.



Antyx of a Chariot.

APAGOGE (*ἀπαγωγή*), a summary process, allowed in certain cases by the Athenian law. The term denotes not merely the act of apprehending a culprit caught *in ipso facto*, but also the written information delivered to the magistrate, urging his apprehension. The cases in which the *apagoge* was most generally allowed were those of theft, murder, ill-usage of parents, &c.

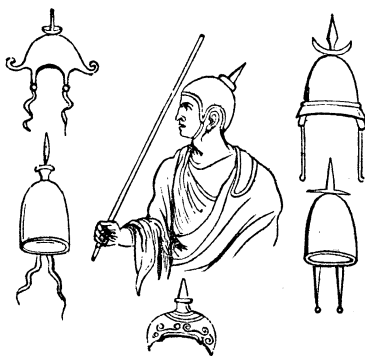
APATURIA (*ἀπατούρια*) was a political festival, which the Athenians had in common with all the Greeks of the Ionian name, with the exception of those of Colophon and Ephesus. It was celebrated in the month of Pyanepsion, and lasted for three days. The name *ἀπατούρια* is not derived from *ἀπατάν*, to deceive, but is composed of *ἀ=ἄμα*, and *πατούρια*, which is perfectly consistent with what Xenophon says of the festival, that when it is celebrated the fathers and relations assemble together. According to this derivation, it is the festival at which the phratræ met to discuss and settle their own affairs. But, as every citizen was a member of a phratra, the festival extended over the whole nation, who assembled according to phratræ.

The festival lasted three days. The third

day was the most important ; for on that day, children born in that year, in the families of the phratræ, or such as were not yet registered, were taken by their fathers, or in their absence by their representatives (*κύριοι*), before the assembled members of the phratra. For every child a sheep or a goat was sacrificed. The father, or he who supplied his place, was obliged to establish by oath that the child was the offspring of free-born parents, and citizens of Athens. After the victim was sacrificed, the phratores gave their votes, which they took from the altar of Jupiter Phratrius. When the majority voted against the reception, the cause might be tried before one of the courts of Athens ; and if the claims of the child were found unobjectionable, its name, as well as that of the father, was entered into the register of the phratra, and those who had wished to effect the exclusion of the child were liable to be punished.

APERTA NAVIS. [APHRACTUS.]

APEX, a cap worn by the flamines and salii at Rome. The essential part of the apex, to which alone the name properly belonged, was a pointed piece of olive-wood, the base of which was surrounded with a lock of wool. This was worn on the top of the head, and was held there either by fillets only, or, as was more commonly the case, by the aid of a cap which fitted the head, and was also fastened by means of two strings or bands.



Apices, Caps worn by the Salii.

APHRACTUS (*ἄφρακτος ναῦς*), called also *navis aperta*, a ship which had no deck, but was merely covered with planks in the front and hinder part, as is represented in

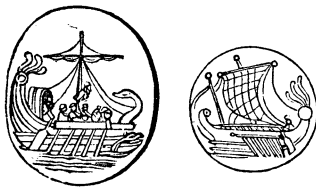
the following cut. The ships which had decks were called *cataphracti* (κατάφρακτοι), and *tectæ* or *stratæ*. At the time of the Trojan war the Greek ships had no decks, but were only covered over in the prow and stern, which covering Homer calls the *ἱκρία νηός*.



Aphractus.

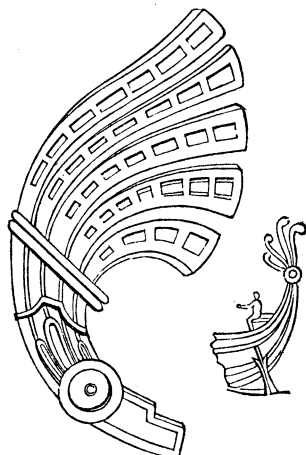
APHRODISIA (Ἀφροδίσια), were festivals celebrated in honour of Aphrodité (Venus), in a great number of towns in Greece, but particularly in the island of Cyprus. Her most ancient temple was at Paphos. No bloody sacrifices were allowed to be offered to her, but only pure fire, flowers, and incense.

APLUSTRE (ἀπλῆστον), an ornament of wooden planks, which constituted the highest part of the poop (*prumnis*) of a ship. From the representations of two ancient ships annexed, we see the position of the aplustre. It rose immediately behind the gubernator, who held the rudder and guided the ship, and it served in some degree to protect him from the wind and the rain.



Aplustre.

At the junction of the aplustre with the stern, on which it was based, we commonly observe an ornament resembling a circular shield; this was called *ἑσπιδεῖον* or *ἑσπιδίσκη*. It is seen on the two aplustria here represented.



Aplustre.

APODECTÆ (ἀποδέκται), public officers at Athens, who were introduced by Cleisthenes in the place of the ancient colacretæ (κολακρέται). They were ten in number, one for each tribe, and their duty was to collect all the ordinary taxes, and distribute them among the separate branches of the administration which were entitled to them.

APOGRAPHE (ἀπογραφή), literally "a list, or register;" signified also, 1. An accusation in public matters, more particularly when there were several defendants. It differed but little, if at all, from the ordinary *graphé*. 2. A solemn protest or assertion before a magistrate, to the intent that it might be preserved by him till it was required to be given in evidence. 3. A specification of property, said to belong to the state, but actually in the possession of a private person; which specification was made with a view to the confiscation of such property to the state.

APOLLINARES LUDI. [LUDI APOLLINARES.]

APOPHORETA (ἀποφόρητα) were presents, which were given to friends at the end of an entertainment to take home with them. These presents appear to have been usually given on festival days, especially during the Saturnalia.

APOSTOLEUS (ἀποστολεύς), the name of a public officer at Athens. There were ten magistrates of this name and their duty was to see that the ships were properly equipped and provided by those who were bound

to discharge the trierarchy. They had the power, in certain cases, of imprisoning the trierarchs who neglected to furnish the ships properly.

APOTHE'CA (ἀποθήκη), a place in the upper part of the house, in which the Romans frequently placed the earthen amphorae in which their wines were deposited. This place, which was quite different from the *cella vinaria*, was above the *fumarium*; since it was thought that the passage of the smoke through the room tended greatly to increase the flavour of the wine.

APOTHEO'SIS (ἀποθέωσις), the enrolment of a mortal among the gods. The mythology of Greece contains numerous instances of the deification of mortals; but in the republican times of Greece we find few examples of such deification. The inhabitants of Amphipolis, however, offered sacrifices to Brasidas after his death. In the Greek kingdoms, which arose in the East on the dismemberment of the empire of Alexander, it appears to have been not uncommon for the successor to the throne to offer divine honours to the former sovereign. Such an apotheosis of Ptolemy, king of Egypt, is described by Theocritus in his 17th Idyl.

The term apotheosis, among the Romans, properly signified the elevation of a deceased emperor to divine honours. This practice, which was common upon the death of almost all the emperors, appears to have arisen from the opinion which was generally entertained among the Romans, that the souls or manes of their ancestors became deities; and as it was common for children to worship the manes of their fathers, so it was natural for divine honours to be publicly paid to a deceased emperor, who was regarded as the parent of his country. This apotheosis of an emperor was usually called *consecratio*; and the emperor who received the honour of an apotheosis was usually said in *deorum numerum referri*, or *consecrari*, and whenever he is spoken of after his death, the title of *divus* is prefixed to his name. The funeral pile on which the body of the deceased emperor was burnt, was constructed of several stories in the form of chambers rising one above another, and in the highest an eagle was placed, which was let loose as the fire began to burn, and which was supposed to carry the soul of the emperor from earth to heaven.

The following wood-cut is taken from an *agate*, which is supposed to represent the apotheosis of Germanicus. In his left hand he holds the cornucopia, and Victory is placing a laurel crown upon his head.

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APPA'RITOR, the general name for a public servant of the magistrates at Rome, namely the ACCENSUS, CARNIFEX, COACTOR, INTERPRES, LICTOR, PRÆCO, SCRIBA, STATOR, VIATOR, of whom an account is given in separate articles. They were called apparitores because they were at hand to execute the commands of the magistrates (*quod iis apparerant*). Their service or attendance was called *apparitio*.

APPELLATIO, appeal. 1. GREEK (ἔφεσις or ἀναδίκη). Owing to the constitution of the Athenian tribunals, each of which was generally appropriated to its peculiar subjects of cognizance, and therefore could not be considered as homogeneous with or subordinate to any other, there was little opportunity for bringing appeals properly so called. It is to be observed also, that in general a cause was finally and irrevocably decided by the verdict of the dicasts (δικη αὐτοτελής). There were only a few exceptions in which appeals and new trials might be resorted to.

2. ROMAN. The word *appellatio*, and the corresponding verb *appellare*, are used in the early Roman writers to express the application of an individual to a magistrate, and particularly to a tribune, in order to protect himself from some wrong inflicted, or threatened to be inflicted. It is distinguished from *provocatio*, which in the early writers is used to signify an appeal to the *populus* in a matter affecting life. It would seem that the *provocatio* was an ancient right of the Roman citizens. The surviving Horatius, who murdered his sister, appealed from the *duumviri* to the *populus*. The *decemviri* took away the *provocatio*; but it was restored by the *Lex Valeria et Horatia*, B. C. 449, in the year after the *decemvirate*, and it was at the same time

enacted, that in future no magistrate should be made from whom there should be no appeal. On this Livy remarks, that the plebs were now protected by the *provocatio* and the *tribunicium auxilium*; this latter term has reference to the appellatio properly so called. The complete phrase to express the provocatio is *provocare ad populum*; and the phrase which expresses the appellatio is *appellare ad*, &c.

AQUAE DUCTUS, signifies an artificial channel or watercourse, by which a supply of water is brought from a considerable distance, upon an inclined plane raised on arches, and carried across valleys and uneven country, and occasionally under ground, where hills or rocks intervene.

As nearly all the ancient aquaeducts now remaining are of Roman construction, it has been generally imagined that works of this description were entirely unknown to the Greeks. This, however, is an error, since some are mentioned by Pausanias and others, though too briefly to enable us to judge of their particular construction. Probably those which have been recorded—such as that built by Peisistratus at Athens, that at Megara, and the celebrated one of Polycrates at Samos—were rather conduits than ranges of building like the Roman ones. Of the latter, few were constructed in the times of the republic. It was not until about B.C. 311, that any were erected, the inhabitants supplying themselves up to that time with water from the Tiber, or making use of cisterns or springs. The first aquaeduct was begun by App. Claudius the censor, and was named after him, the *Aqua Appia*. Subsequently seven or eight aquaeducts were built, which brought an abundant supply of water to Rome.

The *specus*, or water channel, was formed either of stone or brick coated with cement, and was arched over at top, in order to exclude the sun, on which account there were apertures or ventholes at certain distances. The water, however, besides flowing through the *specus*, passed also through pipes, either of lead or burnt earth (*terra-cotta*). At the mouth and termination of every aquaeduct there was a large reservoir, called *castellum*, and there were usually also intermediate *castella* at certain distances along its course. The *castellum* at the mouth or opening into the aquaeduct was also called *piscina limosa*, because the water was collected in it, in order that it might first deposit its impurities. The principal *castellum* was that in which the aquaeduct terminated, and whence the water was conveyed by different branches and pipes to various parts of the city.

During the times of the republic, the censors and aediles had the superintendence of the aquaeducts; but under the emperors particular officers were appointed for that purpose, under the title of *curatores* or *praefecti aquarum*. These officers were first created by Augustus, and were invested with considerable authority. In the time of Nerva and Trajan, about seven hundred architects and others were constantly employed, under the orders of the *curatores aquarum*, in attending to the aquaeducts. The officers who had charge of these works were, 1. The *villici*, whose duty it was to attend to the aquaeducts in their course to the city. 2. The *castellarii*, who had the superintendence of all the *castella* both within and without the city. 3. The *circuitoires*, so called because they had to go from post to post, to examine into the state of the works, and also to keep watch over the labourers employed upon them. 4. The *silicarii*, or paviours. 5. The *tectores*, or plasterers. All these officers appear to have been included under the general term of *aquarii*.

AQUAE ET IGNIS INTERDICTIO. [EXSILIUM.]

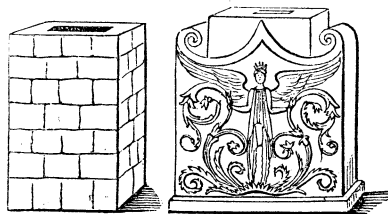
AQUA-RII, slaves who carried water for bathing, &c. into the female apartments. The *aquarii* were also public officers who attended to the aquaeducts. [AQUAE DUCTUS.]

AQUEDUCT. [AQUAE DUCTUS.]

AQUILA. [SIGNA MILITARIA.]

ARA (*βασις θυρίδιον*), an altar. *Ara* was a general term denoting any structure elevated above the ground, and used to receive upon it offerings made to the gods. *Altare*, probably contracted from *alta ara*, was properly restricted to the larger, higher, and more expensive structures.

Four specimens of ancient altars are given below; the two in the former wood-cut are

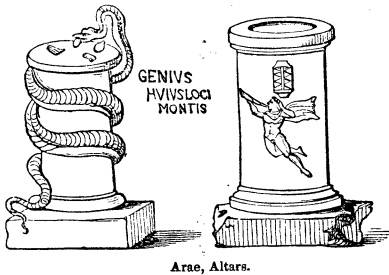


Arae, Altars.

square, and those in the latter round, which is the less common form.

At the top of three of these altars we see the hole intended to receive the fire (*εσχαπίς, εσχαρά*): the fourth was probably in-

tended for the offering of fruits or other gifts, which were presented to the gods without



fire. When the altars were prepared for sacrifice, they were commonly decorated with garlands or festoons. These were composed of certain kinds of leaves and flowers, which were considered consecrated to such uses, and were called *verbenae*.

The altars constructed with most labour and skill belonged to temples; and they were erected either before the temple or within the cella of the temple, and principally before the statue of the divinity to whom it was dedicated. The altars in the area before the temple were altars of burnt-offerings, at which animal sacrifices (*victimae*, σφάγια, *leptā*) were presented: only incense was burnt, or cakes and bloodless sacrifices offered on the altars within the building.

ARATRUM (ἄροτρον), a plough. Among the Greek and Romans the three most essential parts of the plough were—the plough-tail (γῆς, *buris*, *bura*), the share-beam (ἐλνυα, *dens*, *dentale*), that is, the piece of wood to which the share is fixed, and the pole (βυμός, ἱστοβοεύς, *temo*). In the time and country of Virgil it was the custom to force a tree into the crooked form of the *buris*, or plough-tail. The upper end of the *buris* being held by the ploughman, the lower part, below its junction with the pole, was used to hold the *dentale* or share-beam, which was either sheathed with metal, or driven bare into the ground, according to circumstances. The term *vomer* was sometimes applied to the end of the *dentale*.

To these three parts the two following are added in the description of the plough by Virgil:—

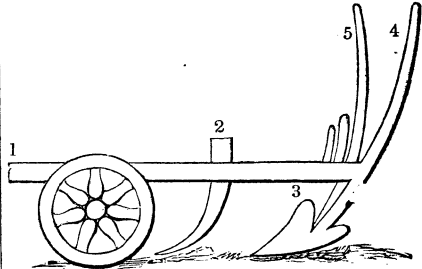
1. The earth-boards, or mould-boards (*aures*), rising on each side, bending outwardly in such a manner as to throw on either hand the soil which had been previously loosened and raised by the share, and adjusted to the share-beam

(*dentale*), which was made double for the purpose of receiving them.

2. The handle (*stiva*). Virgil describes this part as used to turn the plough at the end of the furrow; and it is defined by an ancient commentator on Virgil as the “handle by which the plough is directed.” It is probable that as the *dentalia*, the two share-beams, were in the form of the Greek letter A, which Virgil describes by *duplici dorso*, the *buris* was fastened to the left share-beam and the *stiva* to the right, so that the plough of Virgil was more like the modern Lancashire plough, which is commonly held behind with both hands. Sometimes, however, the *stiva* was used alone and instead of the *buris* or tail. In place of *stiva* the term *capulus* is sometimes employed.

The only other part of the plough requiring notice is the coulter (*culter*), which was used by the Romans as it is with us. It was inserted into the pole so as to depend vertically before the share, cutting through the roots which came in its way, and thus preparing for the more complete overturning of the soil by the share.

Two small wheels were also added to some ploughs. The annexed cut shows the form of an ancient wheel-plough. It also shows distinctly the *temo* or pole (1), the coulter (2), the *dentale* or share-beam (3), the *buris* or plough-tail (4),

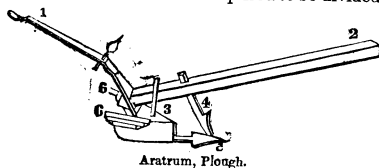


Aratrum, Plough.

and the handle or *stiva* (5). It corresponds in all essential particulars with the plough now used about Mantua and Venice, of which an engraving is given. (See following page.)

The Greeks and Romans usually ploughed their land three times for each crop. The first ploughing was called *proscindere*, or *novare* (νεοῦσθαι, νεάζεσθαι); the second *offringere*, or *iterare*; and the third *lirare*, or *tertiare*. The field which underwent the “*proscissio*,” was called *vervactum* or *novale* (νεός), and in this process the coulter was employed, be-

cause the fresh surface was entangled with numberless roots which required to be divided



Aratrum, Plough.

1. Burs. 2. Temo. 3. Dentale. 4. Culter.
5. Vomer 66. Aures.

before the soil could be turned up by the share. The term "*offringere*," from *ob* and *frangere*, was applied to the second ploughing; because the long parallel clods already turned up were broken and cut across, by drawing the plough through them at right angles to its former direction. The field which underwent this process was called *ager iteratus*. After the second ploughing the sower cast his seed. Also the clods were often, though not always, broken still further by a wooden mallet, or by harrowing (*occatio*). The Roman ploughman then, for the first time, attached the earth-boards to his share. The effect of this adjustment was to divide the level surface of the "*ager iteratus*" into ridges. These were called *porcae*, and also *lirae*, whence came the verb *lirare*, to make ridges, and also *delirare*, to decline from the straight line. The earth-boards, by throwing the earth to each side in the manner already explained, both covered the newly-scattered seed, and formed between the ridges furrows (*αὐλακες*, *sulci*) for carrying off the water. In this state the field was called *seges* and *τρίπολος*.

When the ancients ploughed three times only, it was done in the spring, summer, and autumn of the same year. But in order to obtain a still heavier crop, both the Greeks and the Romans ploughed four times, the proscissio being performed in the latter part of the preceding year, so that between one crop and another two whole years intervened.

ARBITER. [JUDEX.]

ARCA (καβατός). 1. A chest, in which the Romans were accustomed to place their money; and the phrase *ex arca solvere* had the meaning of paying in ready money. The term *arca* was usually applied to the chests in which the rich kept their money, and was opposed to the smaller *loculi*, *sacculus*, and *crumena*. 2. The coffin in which persons were buried, or the bier on which the corpse was placed previously to burial. 3. A strong cell made of oak, in which criminals and slaves were confined.

ARCH. [ARCUS; FORNIX.]

ARCHEION (ἀρχεῖον), properly means any public place belonging to the magistrates, but is more particularly applied to the archive office, where the decrees of the people and other state documents were preserved. This office is sometimes merely called τὸ δημόσιον. At Athens the archives were kept in the temple of the mother of the gods (μήτρων), and the charge of it was entrusted to the president (ἐπιστάτης) of the senate of the Five hundred.

ARCHERS. [ARCUS.]

ARCHIMIMUS, the chief actor in a pantomime, was especially applied to the chieftain, who represented at a funeral the deceased person, and imitated his words and actions.

ARCHITHEORUS (ἀρχιθέωρος). [THEORUS.]

ARCHON (ἀρχων). The government of Athens began with monarchy, and after passing through a dynasty* and aristocracy, ended in democracy. Of the kings of Athens, considered as the capital of Attica, Theseus may be said to have been the first; for to him, whether as a real individual or a representative of a certain period, is attributed the union of the different and independent states of Attica under one head. The last was Codrus; in acknowledgment of whose patriotism in meeting death for his country, the Athenians are said to have determined that no one should succeed him with the title of king (βασιλεύς). It seems, however, equally probable, that it was the nobles who availed themselves of the opportunity to serve their own interests, by abolishing the kingly power for another, the possessors of which they called *Archontes* (ἀρχοντες) or rulers. These for some time continued to be, like the kings of the house of Codrus, appointed for life: still an important point was gained by the nobles, the office being made accountable (δπεύθυνος), which of course implies that the nobility had some control over it.

This state of things lasted for twelve reigns of archons. The next step was to limit the continuance of the office to ten years, still confining it to the Medontidae, or house of Codrus, so as to establish what the Greeks called a dynasty, till the archonship of Eryxias, the last archon of that family elected as such. At the end of his ten years (B. C. 684), a much greater change took place: the archonship was made annual, and its various

* By this is meant that the supreme power, though not monarchical, was confined to one family.

duties divided among a college of nine, chosen by suffrage (*χειροτονία*) from the Eupatridae, or Patricians, and no longer elected from the Medontidae exclusively. This arrangement lasted till the time of Solon, who still continued the election by suffrage, but made the qualification for office depend, not on birth, but property. The election by lot is believed to have been introduced by Cleisthenes (b. c. 508). The last change is supposed to have been made by Aristides, who after the battle of Plataea (b. c. 479) abolished the property qualification, throwing open the archonship and other magistracies to all the citizens; that is, to the Thetes, as well as the other classes, the former of whom were not allowed by Solon's laws to hold any magistracy at all.

Still, after the removal of the old restrictions, some security was left to insure respectability; for, previously to an archon entering on office, he underwent an examination, called the *anacrisis* (*ἀνάκρισις*), as to his being a legitimate and a good citizen, a good son, and qualified in point of property, but the latter limitation was either done away with by Aristides, or soon became obsolete. Yet, even after passing a satisfactory *anacrisis*, each of the archons, in common with other magistrates, was liable to be deposed on complaint of misconduct made before the people, at the first regular assembly in each prytany. On such an occasion the *epicheirotomia* (*ἐπιχειροτονία*), as it was called, took place: and we read that in one case the whole college of archons was deprived of office (*ἀποχειροτονεῖσθαι*).

In consequence of the democratical tendency of the assembly and courts of justice established by Solon, the archons lost the great political power which they at one time possessed. They became, in fact, not as of old directors of the government, but merely municipal magistrates, exercising functions and bearing titles described below.

It has been already stated, that the duties of the single archon were shared by a college of nine. The first, or president of this body, was called *Archon*, by way of pre-eminence, or *Archon Eponymus* (*ἄρχων ἐπώνυμος*), from the year being distinguished by and registered in his name. The second was styled *Archon Basileus* (*ἄρχων βασιλεύς*), or the King Archon; the third *Polemarchus* (*πολέμαρχος*), or commander-in-chief; the remaining six, *Thesmothetæ* (*θεσμοθέται*), or legislators. As regards the duties of the archons, it is sometimes difficult to distinguish what belonged to them individually, and what collectively.

It seems that a considerable portion of the judicial functions of the ancient kings devolved upon the *Archon Eponymus*, who was also constituted a sort of state protector of those who were unable to defend themselves. Thus he was to superintend orphans, heiresses, families losing their representatives, widows left pregnant, and to see that they were not wronged in any way. This archon had also the superintendence of the greater Dionysia, and the Thargelia.

The functions of the *King Archon* were almost all connected with religion; his distinguishing title shows that he was considered a representative of the old kings in their capacity of high priest, as the *Rex Sacrifliculus* was at Rome. Thus he presided at the *Lenæa*, or older *Dionysia*; superintended the mysteries and the games called *Lampadephoriae*, and had to offer up sacrifices and prayers in the Eleusinium, both at Athens and Eleusis. Moreover, indictments for impiety, and controversies about the priesthood, were laid before him; and, in cases of murder, he brought the trial into the court of the areiopagus, and voted with its members. His wife, also, who was called *Basilissa* (*βασίλισσα*), had to offer certain sacrifices, and therefore it was required that she should be a citizen of pure blood, without stain or blemish.

The *Polemarch* was originally, as his name denotes, the commander-in-chief, and we find him discharging military duties as late as the battle of Marathon, in conjunction with the ten *Strategi*; he there took, like the kings of old, the command of the right wing of the army. This, however, seems to be the last occasion on record of this magistrate appointed by lot being invested with such important functions; and in after ages we find that his duties ceased to be military, having been, in a great measure, transferred to the protection and superintendence of the resident aliens, so that he resembled in many respects the praetor peregrinus at Rome. Thus, all actions affecting aliens, the *isoteles* and *proxeni* were brought before him previously to trial. Moreover, it was the polemarch's duty to offer the yearly sacrifice to Diana, in commemoration of the vow made by Callimachus, at Marathon, and to arrange the funeral games in honour of those who fell in war.

The six *Thesmothetæ* were extensively connected with the administration of justice, and appear to have been called legislators, because in the absence of a written code, they might be said to make laws, or *thesmi* (*θεσμοί*), in the ancient language of Athens, though in reality they only explained them. They were

required to review, every year, the whole body of laws, that they might detect any inconsistencies or superfluities, and discover whether any laws which were abrogated were in the public records amongst the rest. Their report was submitted to the people, who referred the necessary alterations to a legislative committee chosen for the purpose, and called *No-mothetae* (*νομοθέται*). The chief part of the duties of the thesmothetae consisted in receiving informations, and bringing cases to trial in the courts of law, of the days of sitting in which they gave public notice. They did not try them themselves, but seem to have constituted a sort of grand jury, or inquest.

The trial itself took place before the *Dicastæ*. [*DICASTÆ*.]

It is necessary to be cautious in our interpretation of the words *ἀρχή* and *ἀρχοντες*, since they have a double meaning in the Attic orators, sometimes referring to the archons peculiarly so called, and sometimes to any other magistracy.

The archons had various privileges and honours. The greatest of the former was the exemption from the trierarchies—a boon not allowed even to the successors of Harmodius and Aristogeiton. As a mark of their office, they wore a chaplet or crown of myrtle; and if any one struck or abused one of the thesmothetae or the archon, when wearing this badge of office, he became *atimus* (*ἄτιμος*), or infamous in the fullest extent, thereby losing his civic rights. The archons, at the close of their year of service, were admitted among the members of the *areiopagus*. [*AREIOPAGUS*.]

ARCUS TRIUMPHALIS, a triumphal arch forming a passage way, and erected in honour of an individual, or in commemoration of a conquest.

Triumphal arches were built across the principal streets of Rome, and, according to the space of their respective localities, consisted of a single archway, or a central one for carriages, and two smaller ones on each side for foot passengers. Those actually made use of on the occasion of a triumphal entry and procession were merely temporary and hastily erected; and, having served their purpose, were taken down again, and sometimes replaced by others of more durable materials.

Stertinius is the first upon record who erected anything of the kind. He built an arch in the Forum Boarium, about B. C. 196, and another in the Circus Maximus, each of which was surmounted by gilt statues.

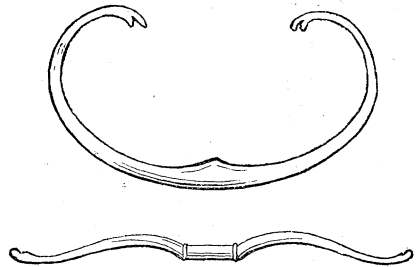
There are twenty-one arches recorded by

ARCUS.

different writers, as having been erected in the city of Rome, five of which now remain:—1. *Arcus Drusi*, which was erected to the honour of Claudius Drusus on the Appian way. 2. *Arcus Titi*, at the foot of the Palatine, which was erected to the honour of Titus, after his conquest of Judaea; the bas-reliefs of this arch represent the spoils from the temple of Jerusalem carried in triumphal procession. 3. *Arcus Septimii Severi*, which was erected by the senate (A. D. 207) at the end of the Via Sacra, in honour of that emperor and his two sons, Caracalla and Geta, on account of his conquest of the Parthians and Arabians. 4. *Arcus Gallieni*, erected to the honour of Gallienus by a private individual, M. Aurelius Victor. 5. *Arcus Constantini*, which was larger than the arch of Titus.

ARCUS (*βίος*, *τόξον*), the bow used for shooting arrows, is one of the most ancient of all weapons, but is characteristic of Asia rather than of Europe. In the Roman armies it was scarcely ever employed except by auxiliaries; and these auxiliaries, called *sagittarii*, were chiefly Cretans and Arabians.

The upper of the two figures below shows the Scythian or Parthian bow unstrung; the lower one represents the usual form of the Grecian bow, which had a double curvature, consisting of two circular portions united by the handle. When not used, the bow was put into a case (*τοξοθήκη*, *γυρνός*, *corytus*), which was made of leather, and sometimes ornamented.



Arcus, Bow.

The action of drawing a bow is well exhibited in the following outline of a statue belonging to the group of Aegina marbles. The bow, placed in the hands of this statue, was probably of bronze, and has been lost.



Drawing the Bow.

A'REA (*ἄλως*, or *ἄλωά*), the threshing-floor, was a raised place in the field, open on all sides to the wind. Great pains were taken to make this floor hard; it was sometimes paved with flint stones, but more usually covered with clay and smoothed with a roller.

AREIO-PAGUS (*ὁ Ἄρειος πάγος*, or hill of Mars), was a rocky eminence, lying to the west of, and not far from the Acropolis at Athens. It was the place of meeting of the council (*Ἡ ἐν Ἀρείῳ πάγῳ βουλή*), which was sometimes called *The Upper Council* (*Ἡ ἄνω βουλή*), to distinguish it from the senate of Five-hundred, which sat in the Cerameicus within the city.

It was a body of very remote antiquity, acting as a criminal tribunal, and existed long before the time of Solon, but he so far modified its constitution and sphere of duty, that he may almost be called its founder. What that original constitution was, must in some degree be left to conjecture, though there is every reason to suppose that it was aristocratical, the members being taken, like the *ephetæ*, from the noble patrician families. [EPHETÆ.]

By the legislation of Solon the Areiopagus was composed of the ex-archons, who, after an unexceptionable discharge of their duties, "went up" to the Areiopagus, and became members of it for life, unless expelled for misconduct. As Solon made the qualification for the office of archon to depend not on birth but on property, the council after his time ceased to be aristocratic in constitution; but, as we learn from Attic writers, continued so in spirit. In fact, Solon is said to have formed the two councils, the senate and the Areiopagus, to be a check upon the democracy; that, as he himself expressed it, "the

state riding upon them as anchors might be less tossed by storms." Nay, even after the archons were no longer elected by suffrage but by lot, and the office was thrown open by Aristicides to all the Athenian citizens, the "upper council" still retained its former tone of feeling.

Moreover, besides these changes in its constitution, Solon altered and extended its functions. Before his time it was only a criminal court, trying cases of "wilful murder and wounding, of arson and poisoning," whereas he gave it extensive powers of a censorial and political nature. Thus we learn that he made the council an "overseer of every thing, and the guardian of the laws," empowering it to inquire how any one got his living, and to punish the idle; and we are also told that the Areiopagites were "superintendents of good order and decency," terms rather unlimited and undefined, as it is not improbable Solon wished to leave their authority. When heinous crimes had notoriously been committed, but the guilty parties were not known, or no accuser appeared, the Areiopagus inquired into the subject, and reported to the *demos*. The report or information was called *apophasis*. This was a duty which they sometimes undertook on their own responsibility, and in the exercise of an old established right, and sometimes on the order of the *demos*. Nay, to such an extent did they carry their power, that on one occasion they apprehended an individual (*Antiphon*), who had been acquitted by the general assembly, and again brought him to a trial, which ended in his condemnation and death. Again, we find them revoking an appointment whereby *Aeschines* was made the advocate of Athens before the Amphictyonic council, and substituting *Ilyperides* in his room.

They also had duties connected with religion, one of which was to superintend the sacred olives growing about Athens, and try those who were charged with destroying them; and in general it was their office to punish the impious and irreligious. Independent, then, of its jurisdiction as a criminal court in cases of wilful murder, which Solon continued to the Areiopagus, its influence must have been sufficiently great to have been a considerable obstacle to the aggrandizement of the democracy at the expense of the other parties in the state. Accordingly, we find that *Pericles*, who was opposed to the aristocracy, resolved to diminish its power and circumscribe its sphere of action. His coadjutor in this work was *Ephialtes*, a statesman of inflexible integrity, and also a military commander. They experienced

much opposition in their attempts, not only in the assembly, but also on the stage, where Aeschylus produced his tragedy of the Eumenides, the object of which was to impress upon the Athenians the dignity, sacredness, and constitutional worth of the institution which Pericles and Ephialtes wished to reform. Still the opposition failed: a decree was carried by which, as Aristotle says, the Areiopagus was "mutilated," and many of its hereditary rights abolished, though it is difficult to ascertain the precise nature of the alterations which Pericles effected.

The jurisdiction of the Areiopagus in case of murder was still left to them. In such cases the process was as follows:—The king archon brought the case into court, and sat as one of the judges, who were assembled in the open air, probably to guard against any contamination from the criminal. The accuser first came forward to make a solemn oath that his accusation was true, standing over the slaughtered victims, and imprecating extirpation upon himself and his whole family, were it not so. The accused then denied the charge with the same solemnity and form of oath. Each party then stated his case with all possible plainness, keeping strictly to the subject, and not being allowed to appeal in any way to the feelings or passions of the judges. After the first speech, a criminal accused of murder might remove from Athens, and thus avoid the capital punishment fixed by Draco's *Thesmi*, which on this point were still in force. Except in cases of parricide, neither the accuser nor the court had power to prevent this; but the party who thus evaded the extreme punishment was not allowed to return home, and when any decree was passed at Athens to legalize the return of exiles, an exception was always made against those who had thus left their country.

The Areiopagus continued to exist, in name at least, till a very late period. Thus we find Cicero mentions the council in his letters; and an individual is spoken of as an Areiopagite under the emperors Gratian and Theodosius (A. D. 330).

The case of St. Paul is generally quoted as an instance of the authority of the Areiopagus in religious matters; but the words of the sacred historian do not necessarily imply that he was brought before the council. It may, however, be remarked, that the Areiopagites certainly took cognizance of the introduction of new and unauthorized forms of religious worship, called *ἐπιθερα λέγῶ*, in contradistinction to the *πάτρια* or older rites of the state.

ARE'NA. [AMPHITHEATRUM.]

ARETA'LOGI, persons who amused the company at the Roman dinner tables.

ARGEI, the name given by the pontifices to the places consecrated by Numa for the celebration of religious services. Varro calls them the chapels of the argei, and says they were twenty-seven in number, distributed in the different districts of the city. There was a tradition that these argei were named from the chieftains who came with Hercules, the Argive, to Rome, and occupied the Capitoline, or, as it was anciently called, Saturnian hill. It is impossible to say what is the historical value or meaning of this legend; we may, however, notice its conformity with the statement that Rome was founded by the Pelasgians, with whom the name of Argos was connected.

The name argei was also given to certain figures thrown into the Tiber from the Sublician bridge, on the Ides of May in every year. This was done by the pontifices, the vestals, the praetors, and other citizens, after the performance of the customary sacrifices. The images were thirty in number, made of bulrushes, and in the form of men. Ovid makes various suppositions to account for the origin of this rite: we can only conjecture that it was a symbolical offering, to propitiate the gods, and that the number was a representative either of the thirty patrician curiae at Rome, or perhaps of the thirty Latin townships.

ARGENTA'RII, bankers or money-changers at Rome. The public bankers, or *mensarii*, are to be distinguished from the *argentarii*. The highest class of *mensarii*, the *mensarii quinqueviri* or *triumviri* were a sort of extraordinary magistrates; their business was to regulate the debts of the citizens, and to provide and distribute specie on emergency. [MENSARII.] The *argentarii*, on the contrary, were private bankers. Almost all money transactions were carried on through their intervention, and they kept the account-books of their customers. Hence, all terms respecting the relation between debtor and creditor were borrowed from banking business; thus, *rationem accepti scribere* ("to put down on the debtor's side in the banker's book") means "to borrow money;" *rescribere*, "to pay it back again;" *nomen* (an item in the account) is "a debt," or even "a debtor." These books of account have given rise to the modern Italian system of book-keeping by double-entry.

The functions of the *argentarii*, besides their original occupation of money-changing (*permutatio argenti*) were as follows:—1. At-

tending public sales as agents for purchasers, in which case they were called *interpretes*. 2. Assaying and proving money (*probatio nummorum*). 3. Receiving deposits, or keeping a bank, in the modern sense of the word. If the deposit was not to bear interest, it was called *depositum*, or *vacua pecunia*; if it was to bear interest, it was called *credendum*. The *argentarii* were said not only *recipere*, but also *constituere*, so that an *actio constitutae pecuniae* would lie against them.

The shops of the bankers were in the cloisters round the forum; hence, money borrowed from a banker is called *aes circumforaneum*; and the phrases *foro cedere*, or *abire, foro mergi*, &c., mean "to become bankrupt." The *argentarii* at Rome were divided into corporations (*societates*), and formed a *collegium*. The *argentarius* was necessarily a freeman.

ARGENTUM (*ἄργυρος*), silver. According to Herodotus, the Lydians were the first people who put a stamp upon silver; but, according to the testimony of most ancient writers, silver money was first coined at Aegina, by order of Pheidon, about B. C. 748.

Silver was originally the universal currency in Greece, and it was not till a comparatively late time that copper or gold was coined in that country. [**AES**; **AURUM**.] Accordingly we find that all the words connected with money are derived from *ἄργυρος*, as—*καταργυρώω*, "to bribe with money;" *ἀργυραμοιβός*, "a money changer;" &c.; and *ἄργυρος* is itself not unfrequently used to signify money in general, as *aes* in Latin.

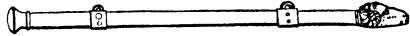
Silver was not coined at Rome till B. C. 269, five years before the first Punic war. The principal silver coins among the Greeks and Romans were respectively the *drachma* and *denarius*. [**DRACHMA**; **DENARIUS**.]

ARGYRA'SPIDES (*ἀργυρόσπιδες*), a division of the Macedonian army, who were so called because they carried shields covered with silver-plates.

ARIES (*κρίός*), the battering-ram, was used to batter down the walls of besieged cities. It consisted of a large beam, made of the trunk of a tree, especially of a fir or an ash. To one end was fastened a mass of bronze or iron (*κεφαλή, ἐμβολή, προτομή*), which resembled in its form the head of a ram. The upper figure in the annexed cut shows the aries in its simplest state, and as it was borne and impelled by human hands, without other assistance.

In an improved form, the ram was surrounded with iron bands, to which rings were attached for the purpose of suspending it by ropes or chains from a beam fixed transversely

over it. See the lower figure in the wood-cut. By this contrivance the soldiers were



Aries, Battering Ram.

relieved from the necessity of supporting the weight of the ram, and they could with ease give it a rapid and forcible motion backwards and forwards.

The use of this machine was further aided by placing the frame in which it was suspended upon wheels, and also by constructing over it a wooden roof, so as to form a "testudo," which protected the besieging party from the defensive assaults of the besieged.

ARMA, ARMATU'RA (*ἄρτια, τεύχεα, ὅπλα*), arms, armour.

Homer describes in various passages an entire suit of armour, and we observe that it consisted of the same portions which were used by the Greek soldiers ever after. Moreover, the order of putting them on is always the same. The heavy-armed warrior, having already a tunic around his body, and preparing for combat, puts on—1. his greaves (*κνημίδες, οcreae*); 2. his cuirass (*θώραξ, lorica*), to which belonged the *μίτρη* underneath, and the zone (*ζώνη, ζωστήρ, cingulum*), above; 3. his sword (*ξίφος, ensis, gladius*), hung on the left side of his body by means of a belt which passed over the right shoulder; 4. the large round shield (*σάκος, ἄσπίς, clipeus, scutum*), supported in the same manner; 5. his helmet (*κόρυς, κυνέη, cassis, galea*); 6. he took his spear (*ἔγχος, δόρυ, hasta*), or, in many cases, two spears. The form and use of these portions are described in separate

articles, under their Latin names. The annexed cut exhibits them all.



Greek Soldier.

Those who were defended in the manner which has now been represented are called by Homer *aspistae* (ἄσπισται), from their great shield (ἄσπίς); also *angemachi* (ἀγγεμάχοι), because they fought hand to hand with their adversaries; but much more commonly *promachi* (πρόμαχοι), because they occupied the front of the army.

In later times the heavy-armed soldiers were called *hoplitae* (ὁπλιται), because the term *hopla* (ὅπλα) more especially denoted the defensive armour, the shield and thorax. By wearing these they were distinguished from the light-armed (ψιλοί, ἄσπλοιοι, γυμνοί, γυμνήται, γυμνήτες), who, instead of being defended by the shield and thorax, had a much slighter covering, sometimes consisting of skins, and sometimes of leather or cloth; and instead of the sword or lance, they commonly fought with darts, stones, bows and arrows, or slings.

Besides the heavy and light-armed soldiers,

another description of men, the *pellastae* (πελτασται), also formed a part of the Greek



Roman Soldier.

army, though we do not hear of them in early times. Instead of the large round shield, they carried a smaller one called the *pellé* (πέλη), and in other respects their armour, though heavier and more effective than that of the psili, was much lighter than that of the hoplites. The weapon on which they principally depended was the spear.

The Roman legions consisted, as the Greek infantry for the most part did, of heavy and light-armed troops (*gravis et levis armatura*). The preceding figure represents a heavy-armed Roman soldier. On comparing it with that of the Greek hoplite in the other cut, we perceive that the several parts of the armour correspond, excepting only that the Roman soldier wears a dagger (*pugio*), on his right side instead of a sword on his left, and instead of greaves upon his legs has *femoralia* and *caligae*. All the essential parts of the Roman heavy armour (*lorica, ensis, clipeus, galea, hasta*), are mentioned together, except the spear, in a well-known passage of St. Paul (*Eph. vi. 17*).

ARMA'RIMUM, originally a place for keeping arms, afterwards a cupboard, in which

were kept not only arms, but also clothes, books, money, and other articles of value. The armarium was generally placed in the atrium of the house.

ARMILLA (ψάλλον, ψέλιον, or ψέλλιον, χλιδών, ὑμυδιεῖα), a bracelet or armlet, worn both by men and women.

The Roman generals frequently bestowed armillae upon soldiers for deeds of extraordinary merit.

ARMILUSTRIUM, a Roman festival for the purification of arms. It was celebrated every year on the 19th of October, when the citizens assembled in arms, and offered sacrifices in the place called Armilustrum, or Vicus Armilustrī.

ARMOUR. [ARMA.]

ARMS. [ARMA.]

ARMY. [EXERCITUS.]

ARRA, A'RRABO, or ARRHA, A'RRHABO, was the thing which purchasers and vendors gave to one another, whether it was a sum of money or anything else, as an evidence of the contract being made; it was no essential part of the contract of buying and selling, but only evidence of agreement as to price.

The term arrha, in its general sense of an evidence of agreement, was also used on other occasions, as in the case of betrothment (*sponsalia*). Sometimes the word arrha is used as synonymous with *pignus*, but this is not the legal meaning of the term.

ARROGA'TIO. [ADOPTIO.]

ARROWS. [ARCUS.]

ARTABA (ἀρτάβη), a Persian measure of capacity=1 medimnus and 3 choenices (Attic)=102 Roman sextarii=12 gallons, 5.092 pints.

ARTEMISIA (Ἀρτεμισία), a festival celebrated at Syracuse in honour of Diana Potamia and Soteira. It lasted three days, which were principally spent in feasting and amusements. Festivals of the same name, and in honour of the same goddess, were held in many places in Greece, but principally at Delphi.

ARTOPTA. [PISTOR.]

ARURA (ἀρουρα), a Greek measure of surface, mentioned by Herodotus, who says that it is a hundred Egyptian cubits in every direction. Now the Egyptian cubit contained nearly 17½ inches; therefore the square of 100 × 17½ inches, i.e. nearly 148 feet, gives the number of square feet (English) in the arura, viz. 21.904.

ARUSPEX. [HARUSPEX.]

ARVALES FRATRES, formed a college or company of twelve priests, and were so called from offering public sacrifices for the fertility of the fields. That they were of ex-

treme antiquity is proved by the legend which refers their institution to Romulus, of whom it is said, that when his nurse Acca Laurentia lost one of her twelve sons, he allowed himself to be adopted by her in his place, and called himself and the remaining eleven "Fratres Arvales." We also find a college called the Sodales Titii, and as the latter were confessedly of Sabine origin, and instituted for the purpose of keeping up the Sabine religious rites, it is probable that these colleges corresponded one to the other—the Fratres Arvales being connected with the Latin, and the Sodales Titii with the Sabine element of the Roman state.

The office of the fratres arvales was for life, and was not taken away even from an exile or captive. One of their annual duties was to celebrate a three days' festival in honour of Dea Dia, supposed to be Ceres, sometimes held on the 17th, 19th, and 20th, sometimes on the 27th, 29th, and 30th of May. But besides this festival of the Dea Dia, the fratres arvales were required on various occasions, under the emperors, to make vows and offer up thanksgivings.

Under Tiberius, the Fratres Arvales performed sacrifices called the *Ambarvalia*, at various places on the borders of the ager Romanus, or original territory of Rome; and it is probable that this was a custom handed down from time immemorial, and, moreover, that it was a duty of the priesthood to invoke a blessing on the whole territory of Rome. There were also the private *ambarvalia*, which were so called from the victim (*hostia ambarvalis*) that was slain on the occasion being led three times round the corn-fields, before the sickle was put to the corn. This victim was accompanied by a crowd of merry-makers, the reapers and farm-servants dancing and singing, as they marched, the praises of Ceres, and praying for her favour and presence, while they offered her the libations of milk, honey, and wine. This ceremony was also called a *lustratio*, or purification.

ARX signifies a height within the walls of a city, upon which a citadel was built, and thus came to be applied to the citadel itself. Thus the summit of the Capitoline hill at Rome is called *Arx*.

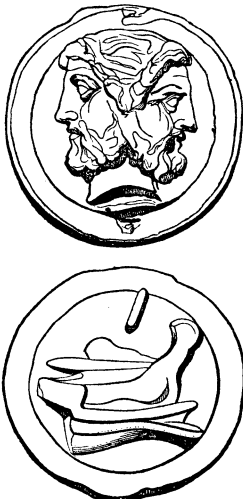
AS, or Libra, a pound, the unit of weight among the Romans. [LIBRA.]

AS, the unit of value in the Roman and old Italian coinages, was made of copper, or of the mixed metal called *Aes*. It was originally of the weight of a pound of twelve ounces, whence it was called *as libralis* and *aes grave*.

The oldest form of the *as* is that which bears the figure of an animal (a bull, ram, boar,

or sow). The next and most common form is that which has the two-faced head of Janus on one side, and the prow of a ship on the other (whence the expression used by Roman boys in tossing up, *Capita aut navim.*)

The annexed specimen from the British Museum weighs 4000 grains: the length of the diameter is half that of the original coin.



Roman As, or Libra.

Pliny informs us, that in the time of the first Punic war (B. C. 264—241), in order to meet the expenses of the state, this weight of a pound was diminished, and asses were struck of the same weight as the sextans (that is, two ounces, or one-sixth of the ancient weight); and that thus the republic paid off its debts, gaining five parts in six; that afterwards, in the second Punic war, in the dictatorship of Q. Fabius Maximus (B. C. 217), asses of one ounce were made, and the denarius was decreed to be equal to sixteen asses, the republic thus gaining one half; but that in military pay the denarius was always given for ten asses; and that soon after, by the Papirian law (about B. C. 191), asses of half an ounce were made.

The value of the as, of course, varied with its weight. Before the reduction to two ounces, ten asses were equal to the denarius = about $8\frac{1}{2}$ pence English [DENARIUS]. Therefore the as = $3\frac{1}{4}$ farthings. By the reduc-

tion the denarius was made equal to 16 asses; therefore the as = $2\frac{1}{4}$ farthings.

The as was divided into parts, which were named according to the number of ounces they contained.

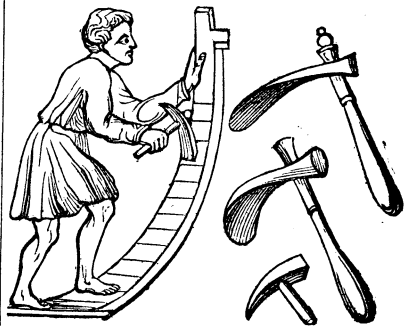
They were the *deunx*, *dextans*, *dodrans*, *bes*, *septunx*, *semis*, *quincunx*, *triens*, *quadrans* or *terunctus*, *sextans*, *sestuncx* or *sestuncia*, and *uncia*, consisting respectively of 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, $1\frac{1}{2}$, and 1 ounces. Of these divisions the following were represented by coins; namely, the *semis*, *quincunx*, *triens*, *quadrans*, *sextans*, and *uncia*.

After the reduction in the weight of the as, coins were struck of the value of 2, 3, 4, and even 10 asses, which were called respectively *dussis* or *dupondius*, *tressis*, *quadrussis*, and *decussis*. Other multiples of the as were denoted by words of similar formation, up to *centussis*, 100 asses; but most of them do not exist as coins.

In certain forms of expression, in which *as* is used for money without specifying the denomination, we must understand the as. Thus *deni aeris*, *mille aeris*, *decies aeris*, mean respectively 10, 1000, 1,000,000 asses.

The word *as* was used also for any whole which was to be divided into equal parts; and those parts were called *unciae*. Thus these words were applied not only to weight and money, but to measures of length, surface, and capacity, to inheritances, interest, houses, farms, and many other things. Hence the phrases *haeres ex asse*, the heir to a whole estate; *haeres ex dodrante*, the heir to three-fourths.

ASCIA, *dim.* ASCIOLA (σκεπάρνον, or σκεπάρνιον), an adze. Muratori has published numerous representations of the adze, as it is exhibited on ancient monuments. We select the three following, two of which show the



Ascia, Adze.

instrument itself, with a slight variety of form, while the third represents a ship-builder holding it in his right hand, and using it to shape the rib of a vessel.

ASSEMBLIES of the people at Athens [ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑ]; at Rome [COMITIA].

ASSERTOR, or ADSECTOR, contains the same root as the verb *adserere*, which, when coupled with the word *manu*, signifies to lay hold of a thing, to draw it towards one. Hence the phrase *adserere in libertatem*, or *liberali adserere manu*, applies to him who lays his hand on a person reputed to be a slave, and asserts, or maintains his freedom. The person who thus maintained the freedom of a reputed slave was called *adsector*. The person whose freedom was thus claimed was said to be *adsertus*. The expressions *liberalis causa*, and *liberalis manus*, which occur in connection with the verb *adserere*, will easily be understood from what has been said. Sometimes the word *adserere* alone was used as equivalent to *adserere in libertatem*. The expression *asserere in servitutem*, to claim a person as a slave, occurs in Livy.

ASSESSOR, or ADESSOR, literally one who sits by the side of another. Since the consuls, praetors, governors of provinces, and the judges, were often imperfectly acquainted with the law and forms of procedure, it was necessary that they should have the aid of those who had made the law their study. The assessors sat on the tribunal with the magistrate. Their advice or aid, was given during the proceedings as well as at other times, but they never pronounced a judicial sentence.

ASTYNOMI (ἄστυνόμοι), or street-police of Athens, were ten in number, five for the city, and as many for the Peirææus. The *astynomi* and *agoranomi* divided between them most of the functions of the Roman aediles. [AGORANOMI.]

ASYLUM (ἄσυλον). In the Greek states the temples, altars, sacred groves, and statues of the gods, generally possessed the privilege of protecting slaves, debtors, and criminals, who fled to them for refuge. The laws, however, do not appear to have recognized the right of all such sacred places to afford the protection which was claimed, but to have confined it to a certain number of temples or altars, which were considered in a more especial manner to have the *ἄσυλία*, or *jus asyli*. There were several places in Athens which possessed this privilege; of which the best known was the Thesæum, or temple of Theseus, in the city, near the gymnasium, which was chiefly intended for the protection of ill-treated slaves, who could take refuge in this

place, and compel their masters to sell them to some other person.

In the time of Tiberius, the number of places possessing the *jus asyli* in the Greek cities in Greece and Asia Minor, became so numerous as seriously to impede the administration of justice; and consequently, the senate, by the command of the emperor, limited the *jus asyli* to a few cities.

The asylum, which Romulus is said to have opened at Rome to increase the population of the city, was a place of refuge for the inhabitants of other states, rather than a sanctuary for those who had violated the laws of the city. In the republican and early imperial times, a right of asylum, such as existed in the Greek states, does not appear to have been recognized by the Roman law; but it existed under the empire, and a slave could fly to the temples of the gods, or the statues of the emperors, to avoid the ill-usage of his master.

ATELEIA (ἀτέλεια), immunity from public burthens, was enjoyed at Athens by the archons for the time being; by the descendants of certain persons, on whom it had been conferred as a reward for great services, as in the case of Harmodius and Aristogeiton; and by the inhabitants of certain foreign states. It was of several kinds: it might be a general immunity (ἀτέλεια ὑπάντων); or a more special exemption, as from custom duties, from the liturgies, or from providing sacrifices.

ATELLANÆ FABULÆ, were a species of farce or comedy, so called from Atella, a town of the Osci, in Campania. From this circumstance, and from being written in the Oscan dialect, they were also called *Ludi Osci*.

These Atellane plays were not *praetextatae*, i. e. comedies in which magistrates and persons of rank were introduced, nor *tabernariae*, the characters in which were taken from low life; they rather seem to have been an union of high comedy and its parody. They were also distinguished from the mimes by the absence of low buffoonery and ribaldry, being remarkable for a refined humour, such as could be understood and appreciated by educated people. They were not performed by regular actors (*histriones*), but by Roman citizens of noble birth, who were not on that account subjected to any degradation, but retained their rights as citizens, and might serve in the army. The Oscan or Opican language, in which these plays were written, was spread over the whole of the south of Italy, and from its resemblance to the Latin, could easily be understood by the more educated Romans.

ATHLETÆ (ἄθληται, ἄθλητῆρες), persons who contended in the public games of

the Greeks and Romans for prizes (*ἄθλα*, whence the name of (*ἄθληται*), which were given to those who conquered in contests of agility and strength. The name was in the later period of Grecian history, and among the Romans, properly confined to those persons who entirely devoted themselves to a course of training which might fit them to excel in such contests, and who, in fact, made athletic exercises their profession. The *athletae* differed, therefore, from the *agonistae* (*ἀγωνισταί*), who only pursued gymnastic exercises for the sake of improving their health and bodily strength, and who, though they sometimes contended for the prizes in the public games, did not devote their whole lives, like the *athletae*, to preparing for these contests.

Athletae were first introduced at Rome, B. C. 186, in the games exhibited by M. Fulvius, on the conclusion of the Aetolian war. Aemilius Paulus, after the conquest of Perseus, B. C. 167, is said to have exhibited games at Amphipolis, in which *athletae* contended. Under the Roman emperors, and especially under Nero, who was passionately fond of the Grecian games, the number of *athletae* increased greatly in Italy, Greece, and Asia Minor.

Those *athletae* who conquered in any of the great national festivals of the Greeks were called *Hieroniceae* (*ιερονίκαι*), and received the greatest honours and rewards. Such a conqueror was considered to confer honour upon the state to which he belonged; he entered his native city through a breach made in the walls for his reception, in a chariot drawn by four white horses, and went along the principal street of the city to the temple of the guardian deity of the state. Those games, which gave the conquerors the right of such an entrance into the city, were called *Iselastici* (from *εἰσελαύνειν*). This term was originally confined to the four great Grecian festivals, the Olympian, Isthmian, Nemean, and Pythian, but was afterwards applied to other public games. In the Greek states, the victors in these games not only obtained the greatest glory and respect, but also substantial rewards. They were generally relieved from the payment of taxes, and also enjoyed the first seat (*προεδρία*) in all public games and spectacles. Their statues were frequently erected at the cost of the state, in the most frequented part of the city, as the market-place, the gymnasia, and the neighbourhood of the temples. At Athens, according to a law of Solon, the conquerors in the Olympic games were rewarded with a prize of 500 drachmae; and the conquerors in the Pythian, Nemean, and Isthmian, with one of 100 drachmae; and at Sparta they

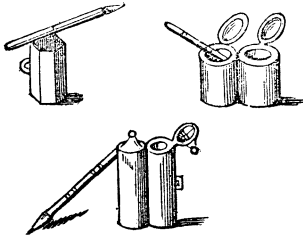
had the privilege of fighting near the person of the king. The privileges of the *athletae* were secured, and in some respects increased by the Roman emperors.

The term *athletae*, though sometimes applied metaphorically to other combatants, was properly limited to those who contended for the prize in the five following contests:—1. *Running* (*δρόμος*, *cursus*). [STADIUM.] 2. *Wrestling* (*πάλη* *lucta*). 3. *Boxing* (*πυγμή*, *pugilatus*). 4. The *pentathlon* (*πένταθλον*), or, as the Romans called it, *quingertium*. 5. The *pancratium* (*παγκράτιον*). Of all these an account is given in separate articles. Great attention was paid to the training of the *athletae*. They were generally trained in the *palaestrae*, which, in the Grecian states, were distinct places from the *gymnasia*. Their exercises were superintended by the *gymnasiarch*, and their diet was regulated by the *aiptes*. [ΑΛΙΠΤΑΕ.]

ΑΤΙΜΙΑ (*ἀτιμία*), the forfeiture of a man's civil rights at Athens. It was either total or partial. A man was totally deprived of his rights, both for himself and for his descendants (*καθάπαξ ἀτιμος*), when he was convicted of murder, theft, false witness, partiality as arbiter, violence offered to a magistrate, and so forth. This highest degree of *atimia* excluded the person affected by it from the forum, and from all public assemblies; from the public sacrifices, and from the law courts; or rendered him liable to immediate imprisonment, if he was found in any of these places. It was either temporary or perpetual, and either accompanied or not with confiscation of property. Partial *atimia* only involved the forfeiture of some few rights, as, for instance, the right of pleading in court. Public debtors were suspended from their civic functions till they discharged their debt to the state. People who had once become altogether *atimi* were very seldom restored to their lost privileges. The converse term to *atimia* was *epitimia* (*ἐπιτιμία*).

ATRAMENTUM, a term applicable to any black colouring substance, for whatever purpose it may be used, like the *melan* (*μέλαν*) of the Greeks. There were, however, three principal kinds of atramentum: one called *librarium* or *scriptorium* (in Greek, *γραφικὸν μέλαν*), writing-ink; another called *sutorium*, which was used by the shoemakers for dyeing leather; the third *tectorium* or *pictorium*, which was used by painters for some purposes, apparently as a sort of varnish. The inks of the ancients seem to have been more durable than our own; they were thicker and more unctuous, in substance and durability

more resembling the ink now used by printers. An inkstand was discovered at Herculaneum, containing ink as thick as oil, and still usable for writing. The following cut represents inkstands found at Pompeii.



Inkstands.

The ancients used inks of various colours. Red ink, made of *minium* or vermillion, was used for writing the titles and beginning of books. So also was ink made of *rubrica*, "red ochre;" and because the headings of *laws* were written with *rubrica*, the word *rubric* came to be used for the civil law. So *album*, a white or whited table, on which the praetors' edicts were written, was used in a similar way. A person devoting himself to *album* and *rubrica*, was a person devoting himself to the law. [ALBUM.]

A TRIUM (called *αἴλη* by the Greeks and by Virgil, and also *μεσαῖλιον*, *περίστυλον*, *περίστρον*), is used in a distinctive as well as collective sense, to designate a particular part in the private houses of the Romans [Domus], and also a class of public buildings, so called from their general resemblance in construction to the atrium of a private house. An atrium of the latter description was a building by itself, resembling in some respects the open basilica [BASILICA], but consisting of three sides. Such was the Atrium Publicum in the capitol, which, Livy informs us, was struck with lightning, B. C. 216. It was at other times attached to some temple or other edifice, and in such case consisted of an open area and surrounding portico in front of the structure.

Several of these buildings are mentioned by the ancient historians, two of which were dedicated to the same goddess, Libertas. The most celebrated, as well as the most ancient, was situated on the Aventine Mount. In this atrium there was a tabularium, where the legal tablets (*tabulae*) relating to the censors were preserved. The other Atrium Lib-

ertatis was in the neighbourhood of the Forum Caesaris, and was immediately behind the Basilica Paulli or Aemilia.

AUCTIO signifies generally "an increasing, an enhancement," and hence the name is applied to a public sale of goods, at which persons bid against one another. The sale was sometimes conducted by an *argentarius* or by a *magister auctionis*; and the time, place, and conditions of sale, were announced either by a public notice (*tabula*, *album*, &c.), or by a crier (*praeco*).

The usual phrases to express the giving notice of a sale were, *auktionem proscribere*, *praedicare*; and to determine on a sale, *auktionem constituere*. The purchasers (*emptores*), when assembled, were sometimes said *ad tabulam adessee*. The phrases signifying to bid are, *liceri*, *licitari*, which was done either by word of mouth, or by such significant hints as are known to all people who have attended an auction. The property was said to be knocked down (*addici*) to the purchaser.

The praeco, or crier, seems to have acted the part of the modern auctioneer, so far as calling out the biddings, and amusing the company. Slaves, when sold by auction, were placed on a stone, or other elevated thing; and hence the phrase *homo de lapide entus*. It was usual to put up a spear (*hasta*) in auctions; a symbol derived, it is said, from the ancient practice of selling under a spear the booty acquired in war.

AUCTION (sale). [AUCTIO.]

AUCTOR, a word which contains the same element as *aug-eo*, and signifies generally one who enlarges, confirms, or gives to a thing its completeness and efficient form. The numerous technical significations of the word are derivable from this general notion. As he who gives to a thing that which is necessary for its completeness may in this sense be viewed as the chief actor or doer, the word auctor is also used in the sense of one who originates or proposes a thing; but this cannot be viewed as its primary meaning. Accordingly, the word auctor, when used in connection with *lex* or *senatus consultum*, often means him who originates and proposes. When a measure was approved by the senate before it was confirmed by the votes of the people, the senate were said *auctores fieri*, and this preliminary approval was called *senatus auctoritas*.

When the word auctor is applied to him who recommends but does not originate a legislative measure, it is equivalent to *suasor*. Sometimes both auctor and suasor are used

in the same sentence, and the meaning of each is kept distinct.

With reference to dealings between individuals, *auctor* has the sense of owner. In this sense *auctor* is the seller (*venditor*), as opposed to the buyer (*emtor*); and hence we have the phrase *a malo auctore emere*.

Auctor is also used generally to express any person under whose authority any legal act is done. In this sense it means a tutor who is appointed to aid or advise a woman on account of the infirmity of her sex.

AUCTORAMENTUM, the pay of gladiators. [**GLADIATORES**.]

AUCTORITAS. The technical meanings of this word correlate with those of *auctor*.

The *auctoritas senatus* was not a *senatus-consultum*; it was a measure, incomplete in itself, which received its completion by some other authority.

Auctoritas, as applied to property, is equivalent to legal ownership, being a correlation of *auctor*.

AUGURES (*οἰωνοπόλοι*), priests, who formed a college or corporation at Rome.

The institution of augurs is lost in the origin of the Roman state. According to that view of the constitution which makes it come entire from the hands of the first king, a college of three was appointed by Romulus, answering to the number of the three early tribes. Numa was said to have added two; yet at the passing of the Ogulnian law (B. C. 300) the augurs were but four in number: whether, as Livy supposes, the deficiency was accidental, is uncertain. By the law just mentioned, their number became nine, five of whom were chosen from the plebs. The dictator Sulla further increased them to fifteen, a multiple of their original number, which probably had a reference to the early tribes. This number continued until the time of Augustus, who, among other extraordinary powers, had the right conferred on him, in B. C. 29, of electing augurs at his pleasure, whether there was a vacancy or not, so that from this time the number of the college was unlimited.

The augurs, like the other priests, were originally elected by the *comitia curiata*, or assembly of the patricians in their *curiae*. As no election was complete without the sanction of augury, the college virtually possessed a veto on the election of all its members. They very soon obtained the privilege of self-election (*jus cooptationis*), which, with one interruption, viz. at the election of the first plebeian augurs, they retained until B. C. 104, the year of the Domitian law. By this law it was enacted that vacancies in the priestly colleges should be filled up by the votes of a minority

of the tribes, *i. e.* seventeen out of thirty-five, chosen by lot. The Domitian law was repealed by Sulla, but again restored, B. C. 63, during the consulship of Cicero, by the tribune, T. Annius Labienus, with the support of Caesar. It was a second time abrogated by Antony; whether again restored by Hirtius and Pansa, in their general annulment of the acts of Antony, seems uncertain. The emperors, as mentioned above, possessed the right of electing augurs at pleasure.

The augurship is described by Cicero, himself an augur, as the highest dignity in the state, having an authority which could prevent the *comitia* from voting, or annul resolutions already passed, if the auspices had not been duly performed. The words *alio die*, from a single augur, might put a stop to all business, and a decree of the college had several times rescinded laws.

The augurs were elected for life, and, even if capitally convicted, never lost their sacred character. When a vacancy occurred, the candidate was nominated by two of the elder members of the college; the electors were sworn, and the new member took an oath of secrecy before his inauguration. The only distinction among them was one of age, the eldest augur being styled *magister collegii*. Among other privileges, they enjoyed that of wearing the purple *praetexta*, or, according to some, the *trabea*. On ancient coins they are represented wearing a long robe, which veiled the head and reached down to the feet, thrown back over the left shoulder. They hold in the right hand a *lituus*, or curved wand, hooked at the end like a crosier, and sometimes have the *capis*, or earthen water-vessel by their side. The chief duties of the augurs were to observe and report supernatural signs. They were also the repositories of the ceremonial law, and had to advise on the expiation of prodigies, and other matters of religious observance. Other duties of the augurs were to assist magistrates and generals in taking the auspices. At the passing of a *lex curiata*, three were required to be present, a number probably designed to represent the three ancient tribes.

One of the difficulties connected with this subject is to distinguish between the religious duties of the augurs and of the higher magistrates. Under the latter were included consul, praetor, and censor. A single magistrate had the power of proroguing the *comitia* by the formula *se de coelo servare*. [**AUSPICUM**.] The law obliged him to give notice beforehand, so that it can only have been a religious way of exercising a constitutional right. The *spectio*, as it was termed, was a voluntary duty

on the part of the magistrate, and no actual observation was required. On the other hand, the augurs were employed by virtue of their office; they declared the auspices, from immediate observation, without giving any previous notice; they had the right of *nuntiatio*, not of *spectio*, at least in the comitia; in other words, they were to report prodigies, where they did, not to invent them, where they did not, exist.

Augury was one of the many safeguards which the oligarchy opposed to the freedom of the plebs: of the three comitia—curiata, centuriata, and tributa—the two former were subject to the auspices. As the favourable signs were known to the augurs alone, their scruples were a pretext for the government to put off an inconvenient assembly. Yet in early times the augurs were not the mere tools of the government, and their independence under the kings seems to be testified by the story of Attus Naevius. During many centuries their power was supported by the voice of public opinion. Livy tells us that the first military tribunes abdicated in consequence of a decree of the augurs; and on another occasion the college boldly declared the plebeian dictator, M. Claudius Marcellus, to be irregularly created. During the civil wars the augurs were employed by both parties as political tools. Cicero laments the neglect and decline of the art in his day. The college of augurs was finally abolished by the emperor Theodosius.

AUGURALE, the place where the auspices were taken. [AUSPICIUM.]

AUGURIUM, divination by the flight and voice of birds. [AUSPICIUM.]

AUGUSTALES (sc. *iudi*, also called *Augustalia*), games celebrated in honour of Augustus, at Rome and in other parts of the Roman empire. They were exhibited annually at Rome in the circus, at first by the tribunes of the plebs, but afterwards by the praetor peregrinus.

AUGUSTALES, an order of priests in the municipia, who were appointed by Augustus, and selected from the libertini, whose duty it was to attend to the religious rites connected with the worship of the Lares and Penates, which Augustus put in places where two or more ways met.

These Augustales should be distinguished from the *sodales Augustales*, who were an order of priests instituted by Tiberius to attend to the worship of Augustus, and were chosen by lot from among the principal persons of Rome.

AULAEUM. [SIPARIUM.]

AUREUS. [AURUM.]

AURIGA. [CIRCUS.]

AURUM (χρυσός), gold. Gold appears not to have been coined at Athens till the time of the Macedonian empire, with the exception of a solitary issue of a debased coinage in B. C. 407. But from a very early period the Asiatic nations, and the Greek cities of Asia Minor and the adjacent islands, possessed a gold coinage, which was more or less current in Greece. Herodotus says that the Lydians were the first who coined gold; and the stater of Croesus appears to have been the earliest gold coin known to the Greeks. The daric was a Persian coin. Staters of Cyzicus and Phocaea had a considerable currency in Greece. There was a gold coinage in Samos as early as the time of Polycrates. [DARICUS; STATER.]

The standard gold coin of Rome was the *aureus nummus*, or *denarius aureus*, which, according to Pliny, was first coined sixty-two years after the first silver coinage [ARGENTUM], that is, in B. C. 207. The lowest denomination was the *scrupulum*, which was made equal to twenty sestertii. The value of the aureus is 1*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.* and a little more than a halfpenny. This is its value according to the present worth of gold; but its current value in Rome was different from this, since the relative value of gold and silver was different in ancient times from what it is at present. The aureus passed for twenty-five denarii; therefore, the denarius being 8½*d.*, the aureus was worth 1*l.* 1*s.* 8½*d.* The following cut represents an aureus of Augustus in the British Museum, which weighs 121 grains.



Aureus of Augustus.

Alexander Severus coined pieces of one-half and one-third of the aureus, called *semissis* and *tremissis*; after which time the aureus was called *solidus*.

AURUM CORONARIUM. When a general in a Roman province had obtained a victory, it was the custom for the cities in his own provinces, and for those from the neighbouring states, to send golden crowns to him, which were carried before him in his triumph at Rome. In the time of Cicero it appears to have been usual for the cities of the provinces, instead of sending crowns on occasion

of a victory, to pay money, which was called *aurum coronarium*. This offering, which was at first voluntary, came to be regarded as a regular tribute, and was sometimes exacted by the governors of the provinces, even when no victory had been gained.

AUSPICIUM, originally meant a sign from birds. The word is derived from *avis*, and the root *spec*. As the Roman religion was gradually extended by additions from Greece and Etruria, the meaning of the word was widened, so as to include any supernatural sign. The chief difference between *auspicium* and *augurium* seems to have been that the latter term is never applied to the *spectio* of the magistrate. [Augur.]

Birds were divided into two classes—*oscines* and *præpetes*; the former gave omens by singing, the latter by their flight and the motion of their wings. Every motion of every bird had a different meaning, according to the different circumstances or times of the year when it was observed.

Another division of birds was into *dextræ* and *sinistræ*, about the meaning of which some difficulty has arisen from a confusion of Greek and Roman notions in the writings of the classics. The Greeks and Romans were generally agreed that auspicious signs came from the east, but as the Greek priest turned his face to the north the east was on his right hand, the Roman augur with his face to the south had the east to his left. The confusion was farther increased by the euphemisms common to both nations; and the rule itself was not universal at least with the Romans; the jay when it appeared on the left, the crow on the right being thought to give sure omens.

The auspices were taken before a marriage, before entering on an expedition, before the passing of laws, or election of magistrates, or any other important occasion, whether public or private. In early times such was the importance attached to them that a soldier was released from the military oath, if the auspices had not been duly performed.

The commander-in-chief of an army received the *auspices*, together with the *imperium*, and a war was therefore said to be carried on *ductu et auspicio imperatoris*, even if he were absent from the army, and thus, if the legatus gained a victory in the absence of his commander, the latter, and not his deputy, was honoured by a triumph.

The ordinary manner of taking the auspices was as follows:—The augur went out before the dawn of day, and sitting in an open place, with his head veiled, marked out with a wand (*lituus*) the divisions of the

heavens. Next he declared in a solemn form of words the limits assigned, making shrubs or trees, called *tesquæ*, his boundary on earth correspondent to that in the sky. The *templum augurale*, which appears to have included both, was divided into four parts: those to the east and west were termed *sinistræ* and *dextræ*; to the north and south, *anticeæ* and *posticeæ*. If a breath of air disturbed the calmness of the heavens, the auspices could not be taken; and according to Plutarch it was for this reason the augurs carried lanterns open to the wind. After sacrificing, the augur offered a prayer for the desired signs to appear, repeating after an inferior minister a set form; unless the first appearances were confirmed by subsequent ones, they were insufficient. If, in returning home, the augur came to a running stream, he again repeated a prayer, and purified himself in its waters; otherwise the auspices were held to be null.

Another method of taking the auspices, more usual in military expeditions, was from the feeding of birds confined in a cage, and committed to the care of the *pullarius*. An ancient decree of the college of augurs allowed the auspices to be taken from any bird. When all around seemed favourable, either at dawn or in the evening, the *pullarius* opened the cage and threw to the chickens pulse, or a kind of soft cake. If they refused to come out, or to eat, or uttered a cry (*occinerunt*), or beat their wings, or flew away, the signs were considered unfavourable, and the engagement was delayed. On the contrary, if they ate greedily, so that something fell and struck the earth (*tripudium solistimum*; *tripudium quasi terripavum, solistimum*, from *solum*, the latter part of the word probably from the root *stimulo*), it was held a favourable sign.

The place where the auspices were taken, called *auguraculum, augurale*, or *auguratorium*, was open to the heavens. One of the most ancient of these was on the Palatine hill, the regular station for the observation of augurs. Sometimes the auspices were taken in the capitol. In the camp a place was set apart to the right of the general's tent.

The lex Aelia and Fufia provided that no assemblies of the people should be held, *nisi prius de coelo servatum esset*. It appears to have confirmed to the magistrates the power of *obnuntiatio*, or of interposing a veto. [Augur.]

AUTHEPSA (*αὐθέψης*), which literally means "self-boiling," or "self cooking," was the name of a vessel which is supposed to have been used for heating water, or for keeping it hot.

AUTO'NOMI (αὐτονόμοι), the name given by the Greeks to those states which were governed by their own laws, and were not subject to any foreign power. This name was also given to those cities subject to the Romans, which were permitted to enjoy their own laws and elect their own magistrates.

AUXILIA. [SOCIL.]

AXE. [SECURIS.]

AXIS. [CURRUS.]

AXLE. [CURRUS.]

A'XONES (ἄξονες), wooden tablets of a square or pyramidal form, made to turn on an axis, on which were written the laws of Solon.

B.

BAIL. [ΔΑΤΙΟ.]

BAKER. [PISTOR.]

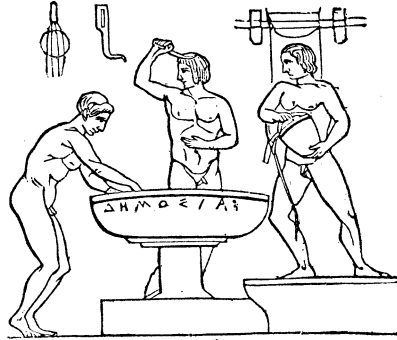
BALISTA, BALLISTA. [TORMENTUM.]

BALL, game at. [PILA.]

BAL'NEUM or **BALYNEUM** (λοετρὸν or λουτήριον, βαλανεῖον, also *balneae* or *balineae*), a bath. *Balneum* or *balineum* signifies, in its primary sense, a bath or bathing vessel, such as most Romans possessed in their own houses; and from that it came to mean the chamber which contained the bath. When the baths of private individuals became more sumptuous, and comprised many rooms, the plural *balnea* or *balineae* was adopted, which still, in correct language, had reference only to the baths of private persons. *Balneae* and *balineae*, which have no singular number, were the public baths. But this accuracy of diction is neglected by many of the subsequent writers. *Thermae* (from θερμή, warmth) mean properly warm springs, or baths of warm water, but were afterwards applied to the structures in which the baths were placed, and which were both hot and cold. There was, however, a material distinction between the *balneae* and *thermae*, inasmuch as the former was the term used under the republic, and referred to the public establishments of that age, which contained no appliances for luxury beyond the mere convenience of hot and cold-baths, whereas the latter name was given to those magnificent edifices which grew up under the empire, and which comprised within their range of buildings all the appurtenances belonging to the Greek gymnasium, as well as a regular establishment appropriated for bathing.

Bathing was a practice familiar to the Greeks of both sexes from the earliest times. The artificial warm bath was taken in a vessel called *asaminthus* (ἀσάμινθος), by Homer, and

puelus (πύελος) by the later Greeks. It did not contain water itself, but was only used for the bather to sit in, while the warm water was poured over him. On Greek vases, however, we never find anything corresponding to a modern bath in which persons can stand or sit; but there is always a round or oval basin (λουτήρ or λουτήριον), resting on a stand, by the side of which those who are bathing are standing undressed and washing themselves.



Greek Bath.

In the Homeric times it was customary to take first a cold and afterwards a warm bath; but in later times it was the usual practice of the Greeks to take first a warm or vapour, and afterwards a cold bath. At Athens the frequent use of the public baths, most of which were warm baths (βαλανεῖα, called by Homer θερμὰ λοετρά), was regarded in the time of Socrates and Demosthenes as a mark of luxury and effeminacy. Accordingly, Phocion was said to have never bathed in a public bath, and Socrates to have used it very seldom.

After bathing, both sexes anointed themselves, in order that the skin might not be left harsh and rough, especially after warm water. Oil (έλαιον) is the only ointment mentioned by Homer, but in later times precious unguents (μύρα) were used for this purpose. The bath was usually taken before the principal meal of the day (δείπνον).

The Lacedaemonians, who considered warm water as enervating, used two kinds of baths; namely, the cold daily bath in the Eurotas, and a dry sudorific bath in a chamber heated with warm air by means of a stove, and from them the chamber used by the Romans for a

similar purpose was termed *Laconicum*. A sudorific or vapour bath (*πυρία* or *πυριστηριον*) is mentioned as early as the time of Herodotus.

At what period the use of the warm bath was introduced among the Romans is not recorded; but we know that Scipio had a warm bath in his villa at Liternum, and the practice of heating an apartment with warm air by flues placed immediately under it, so as to produce a vapour bath, is stated to have been invented by Sergius Orata, who lived in the age of Crassus, before the Marsic war.

By the time of Cicero the use of baths of warm water and hot air had become common, and in his time there were baths at Rome which were open to the public upon payment of a small fee. In the public baths at Rome the men and women used originally to bathe in separate sets of chambers; but under the empire it became the common custom for both sexes to bathe indiscriminately in the same bath. This practice was forbidden by Hadrian and M. Aurelius; and Alexander Severus prohibited any baths, common to both sexes, from being opened in Rome.

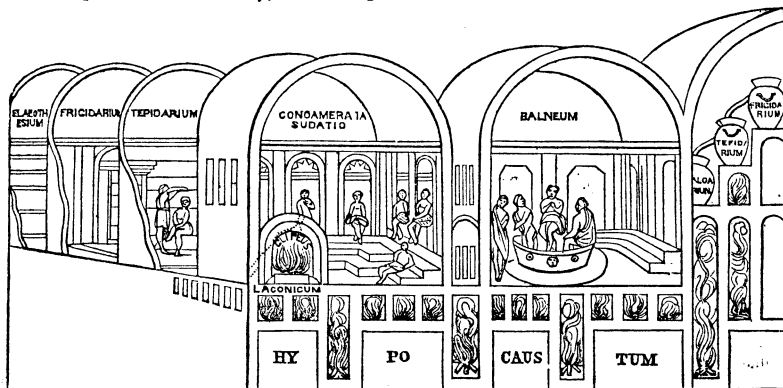
The price of a bath was a quadrant, the smallest piece of coined money, from the age

of Cicero downwards, which was paid to the keeper of the bath (*balneator*). Children below a certain age were admitted free.

It was usual with the Romans to take the bath after exercise, and before the principal meal (*coena*) of the day; but the debauchees of the empire bathed also after eating as well as before, in order to promote digestion, and to acquire a new appetite for fresh delicacies. Upon quitting the bath the Romans as well as the Greeks were anointed with oil.

The Romans did not content themselves with a single bath of hot or cold water; but they went through a course of baths in succession, in which the agency of air as well as water was applied. It is difficult to ascertain the precise order in which the course was usually taken; but it appears to have been a general practice to close the pores, and brace the body after the excessive perspiration of the vapour bath, either by pouring cold water over the head, or by plunging at once into the *piscina*.

To render the subjoined remarks more easily intelligible, the annexed woodcut is inserted, which is taken from a fresco painting upon the walls of the *thermae* of Titus at Rome.



Fresco from the *Thermae* of Titus.

The chief parts of a Roman bath were as follow:—

1. *Apodyterium*. Here the bathers were expected to take off their garments, which were then delivered to a class of slaves called *cap-sarii*, whose duty it was to take charge of them. These men were notorious for dishonesty, and were leagued with all the thieves

of the city, so that they connived at the robberies which they were placed to prevent.

There was probably an *Elaeothesium* or *Unc-torium*, as appears from the preceding cut, in connexion with the apodyterium, where the bathers might be anointed with oil.

2. *Frigidarium* or *Cella Frigidaria*, where the cold bath was taken. The cold bath itself

was called *Natatio*, *Natatorium*, *Piscina*, *Baptisterium*, or *Puteus*.

3. *Tepidarium* would seem from the preceding cut to have been a bathing room, for a person is there apparently represented pouring water over a bather. But there is good reason for thinking that this was not the case. In most cases the *tepidarium* contained no water at all, but was a room merely heated with warm air of an agreeable temperature, in order to prepare the body for the great heat of the vapour and warm baths, and upon returning from the latter, to obviate the danger of a too sudden transition to the open air.

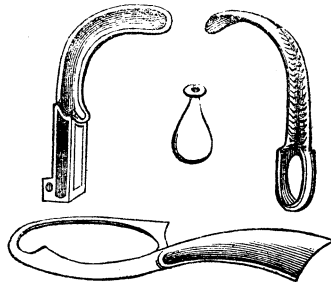
4. The *Caldarium* or *Concamerata Sudatio* contained at one extremity the vapour bath (*Iaconicum*), and at the other the warm bath (*balneum* or *caldia lavatio*), while the centre space between the two ends was termed *sudatio* or *sudatorium*. In larger establishments the vapour bath and warm bath were in two separate cells, as we see in the preceding cut: in such cases the former part alone was called *concamerata sudatio*. The whole rested on a suspended pavement (*suspensura*), under which was a fire (*hypocaustum*), so that the flames might heat the whole apartment. (See cut.)

The warm water bath (*balneum* or *caldia lavatio*), which is also called *piscina* or *calida piscina*, *labrum* and *solum*, appears to have been a capacious marble vase, sometimes standing upon the floor, like that in the preceding cut, and sometimes either partly elevated above the floor, as it was at Pompeii, or entirely sunk into it.

After having gone through the regular course of perspiration, the Romans made use of instruments called *strigiles* or *strigles*, to scrape off the perspiration. The strigil was also used by the Greeks, who called it *stlēngis* (στλέγγις) or *xystra* (ξύστρα). One of the figures in the cut on p. 47, is represented with a strigil in his hand. As the strigil was not a blunt instrument, its edge was softened by the application of oil, which was dropped upon it from a small vessel called *guttus* or *ampulla*, which had a narrow neck, so as to discharge its contents drop by drop, whence the name is taken. A representation of a *guttus* is given in the annexed cut, together with some strigils.

In the *Thermae*, spoken of above, the baths were of secondary importance. They were a Roman adaptation of the Greek gymnasium, contained *exedrae* for the philosophers and rhetoricians to lecture in, porticoes for the idle, and libraries for the learned, and were adorned with marbles, fountains, and shaded walks and plantations. M. Agrippa, in the

reign of Augustus, was the first who afforded these luxuries to his countrymen, by be-



Strigiles, and Guttus.

queathing to them the *thermae* and gardens which he had erected in the *Campus Martius*. The example set by Agrippa was followed by Nero, and afterwards by Titus, the ruins of whose *thermae* are still visible, covering a vast extent, partly underground, and partly above the Esquiline hill. *Thermae* were also erected by Trajan, Caracalla, and Diocletian, of the two last of which ample remains still exist.

Previously to the erection of these establishments for the use of the population, it was customary for those who sought the favour of the people to give them a day's bathing free of expense. From thence it is fair to infer that the quadrant paid for admission into the *balneae* was not exacted at the *thermae*, which, as being the works of the emperors, would naturally be opened with imperial generosity to all, and without any charge.

BA'LTEUS (τελαμών), a belt, a shoulder belt, was used to suspend the sword. See the figs. on p. 38. In the Homeric times the Greeks used a belt to support the shield. The *balteus* was likewise employed to suspend the quiver, and sometimes together with it the bow. More commonly the belt, whether employed to support the sword, the shield, or the quiver, was made of leather, and was frequently ornamented with gold, silver, and precious stones. In a general sense *balteus* was applied not only to the belt, which passed over the shoulder, but also to the girdle (*cingulum*), which encompassed the waist.

BANISHMENT. [EXSILIUM.]

BANKER. [ARGENTARIJ; MENSARIJ.]

BARATHRON (βάραθρον), a deep cavern or chasm, like the *Ceadas* at Sparta, behind the Acropolis at Athens, into which criminals were thrown. [CEADAS.]

BARBA (πάγων, γένειον, ὑπὸν), the beard. The Greeks seem generally to have worn the beard till the time of Alexander the Great; and a thick beard was considered as a mark of manliness. The Greek philosophers in particular were distinguished by their long beards as a sort of badge. The Romans in early times wore the beard uncut, and the Roman beards are said not to have been shaved till B. C. 300, when P. Ticinius Maena brought over a barber from Sicily; and Pliny adds, that the first Roman who is said to have been shaved every day was Scipio Africanus. His custom, however, was soon followed, and shaving became a regular thing. In the later times of the republic there were many who shaved the beard only partially, and trimmed it, so as to give it an ornamental form; to them the terms *bene barbati* and *barbatuli* are applied.

In the general way at Rome, a long beard (*barba promissa*) was considered a mark of slovenliness and *squalor*. The first time of shaving was regarded as the beginning of manhood, and the day on which this took place was celebrated as a festival. There was no particular time fixed for this to be done. Usually, however, it was done when the young Roman assumed the toga virilis. The hair cut off on such occasions was consecrated to some god. Thus Nero put his up in a gold box, set with pearls, and dedicated it to Jupiter Capitolinus.

With the emperor Hadrian the beard began to revive. Plutarch says that the emperor wore it to hide some scars on his face. The practice afterwards became common, and till the time of Constantine the Great, the emperors appear in busts and coins with beards. The Romans let their beards grow in time of mourning; the Greeks, on the other hand, on such occasions shaved the beard close.

BARBER. [BARBA.]

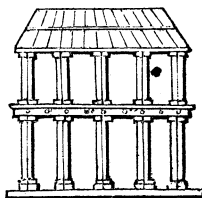
BARBITUS (βάριβιτος), or **BARBITON** (βάριβιτον), a stringed instrument, the original form of which is uncertain. Later writers use it as synonymous with the lyra. [LYRA.]

BASILICA (sc. *aedes, aula, porticus*—*βασίλειχ*, also *regia*), a building which served as a court of law and an exchange, or place of meeting for merchants and men of business. The word was adopted from the Athenians, whose second archon was styled *archon basilicus* (ἀρχων βασιλικός), and the tribunal where he adjudicated *stoa basilicus* (ἡ βασιλικὸς στοά), the substantive *aula* or *porticus* in Latin being omitted for convenience, and the distinctive epithet converted into a substantive.

The first edifice of this description at Rome was not erected until B. C. 182. It was situated

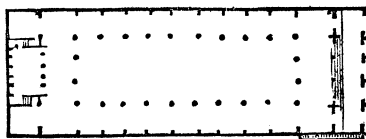
in the forum adjoining the curia, and was denominated *Basilica Portia*, in commemoration of its founder, M. Porcius Cato. Besides this there were twenty others, erected at different periods, within the city of Rome.

The following is a representation of the *Basilica Aemilia*, from a medal of Lepidus.



Basilica

The forum, or, where there was more than one, the one which was in the most frequented and central part of the city, was always selected for the site of the basilica; and hence it is that the classic writers not unfrequently use the terms *forum* and *basilica* synonymously. The ground plan of all these buildings is rectangular, and their width not more than half, nor less than one-third of the length. This area was divided into three naves, consisting of a centre (*media porticus*), and two side aisles, separated from the centre one, each by a single row of columns. At one end of the centre aisle was the tribunal of the judge, in form either rectangular or circular, as is seen in the annexed plan of the basilica



Ground Plan of a Basilica.

at Pompeii. In the centre of the tribunal was placed the curule chair of the praetor, and seats for the judges and the advocates. The two side aisles, as has been said, were separated from the centre one by a row of columns, behind each of which was placed a square pier or pilaster (*parastata*), which supported the flooring of an upper portico, similar to the gallery of a modern church.

The upper gallery was in like manner decorated with columns, of lower dimensions than those below; and these served to support the roof, and were connected with one

another by a parapet-wall or balustrade (*pluteus*), which served as a defence against the danger of falling over, and screened the crowd of loiterers above (*sub-basilicani*) from the people of business in the area below. Many of these edifices were afterwards used as Christian churches, and many churches were built after the model above described. Such churches were called *basilicae*, which name they retain to the present day, being still called at Rome *basiliche*.

BATH. [BALNEUM.]

BATTERING-RAM. [ARIES.]

BEAKS OF SHIPS. [NAVIS.]

BEARD. [BARBA.]

BED or COUCH. [LECTUS.]

BELL. [TINTINNABULUM.]

BELLOWS. [FOLLIS.]

BELT. [BALTEUS; ZONA.]

BEMA (*βῆμα*). [ECCLESIA.]

BENDIDEIA (*βενδιδεία*), a Thracian festival in honour of the goddess Bendis, who is said to be identical with the Grecian Artemis and with the Roman Diana. The festival was of a bacchanalian character. From Thrace it was brought to Athens, where it was celebrated in the Peiraeus, on the 19th or 20th of the month Thargelion, before the Panathenaea Minora. The temple of Bendis was called Bendideion.

BENEFICIUM, BENEFICIARIUS. The term *beneficium* is of frequent occurrence in the Roman law, in the sense of some special privilege or favour granted to a person in respect of age, sex, or condition. But the word was also used in other senses. In the time of Cicero it was usual for a general, or a governor of a province, to report to the treasury the names of those under his command who had done good service to the state; those who were included in such report were said *in beneficiis ad aerarium deferri*. In *beneficiis* in these passages may mean that the persons so reported were considered as persons who had deserved well of the state; and so the word *beneficium* may have reference to the services of the individuals; but as the object for which their services were reported was the benefit of the individuals, it seems that the term had reference also to the reward, immediate or remote, obtained for their services. The honours and offices of the Roman state, in the republican period, were called the *beneficia* of the *Populus Romanus*.

Beneficium also signified any promotion conferred on or grant made to soldiers, who were thence called *beneficiarii*.

BESTIARIII (*θηριομάχοι*), persons who fought with wild beasts in the games of the circus. They were either persons who fought

for the sake of pay (*auctoramentum*), and who were allowed arms, or they were *criminales*, who were usually permitted to have no means of defence against the wild beasts.

BIBLIOPO'LA (*βιβλιопώλης*), also called *librarius*, a bookseller. The shop was called *apotheca* or *taberna libraria*, or merely *libraria*. The Romans had their Paternoster-row; for the bibliopola or librarii lived mostly in one street, called Argiletum. Another favourite quarter of the booksellers was the *Vicus Sandalarius*. There seems also to have been a sort of bookstalls by the temples of Vertumnus and Janus.

BIBLIOTHE'CA (*βιβλιοθήκη*, or *ἀποθήκη βιβλίων*), primarily, the place where a collection of books was kept; secondarily, the collection itself. Public collections of books appear to have been very ancient. That of Peisistratus (B. C. 550) was intended for public use; it was subsequently removed to Persia by Xerxes. About the same time Polycrates, tyrant of Samos, is said to have founded a library. In the best days of Athens, even private persons had large collections of books; but the most important and splendid public library of antiquity was that founded by the Ptolemies at Alexandria, begun under Ptolemy Soter, but increased and re-arranged in an orderly and systematic manner by Ptolemy Philadelphus, who also appointed a fixed librarian, and otherwise provided for the usefulness of the institution. A great part of this splendid library was consumed by fire in the siege of Alexandria by Julius Caesar; but it was soon restored, and continued in a flourishing condition till it was destroyed by the Arabs, A. D. 640. The Ptolemies were not long without a rival in zeal. Eumenes, king of Pergamus, became a patron of literature and the sciences, and established a library, which, in spite of the prohibition against exporting papyrus issued by Ptolemy, jealous of his success, became very extensive and perhaps next in importance to the library of Alexandria.

The first public library in Rome was that founded by Asinius Pollio, and was in the Atrium Libertatis on Mount Aventine. The library of Pollio was followed by that of Augustus in the temple of Apollo on Mount Palatine and another, *bibliotheca Octavianae*, in the theatre of Marcellus. There were also libraries on the Capitol, in the temple of Peace, in the palace of Tiberius, besides the Ulpian library, which was the most famous, founded by Trajan. Libraries were also usually attached to the *Thermae*. [BALNEUM.]

Private collections of books were made a

Rome soon after the second Punic war. The zeal of Cicero, Atticus, and others, in increasing their libraries is well known. It became, in fact, the fashion to have a room elegantly furnished as a library, and reserved for that purpose. The charge of the libraries in Rome was given to persons called *librarii*.

BIDENTAL, the name given to a place where any one had been struck by lightning, or where any one had been killed by lightning and buried. Such a place was considered sacred. Priests, who were called *bidentales*, collected the earth which had been torn up by lightning, and every thing that had been scorched, and burnt it in the ground with a sorrowful murmur. The officiating priest was said *condere fulgur*; he farther consecrated the spot by sacrificing a two-year-old sheep (*bidens*), whence the name of the place and of the priest, and he also erected an altar, and surrounded it with a wall or fence. To move the bounds of a bidental, or in any way to violate its sacred precincts, was considered as sacrilege.

BIGA or **BIGAE**. [**CURRUS**.]

BIGATUS. [**DENARIUS**.]

ΒΙΚΟΣ (*βίκος*), the name of an earthen vessel in common use among the Greeks. Hesychius defines it as a *στάμνος* with handles. It was used for holding wine, and salted meat and fish. Herodotus speaks of *βίκους φοινικίους κατάγουσι οἶνον πλέονς*, which some commentators interpret by "vessels made of the wood of the palm-tree full of wine." But as Eustathius speaks of *οἶνον φοινικίον βίκος*, we ought probably to read in Herodotus *βίκους φοινικίων*, κ. τ. λ., "vessels full of palm wine."

BIENNIS. [**SECURIS**.]

BIREMIS. 1. A ship with two banks of oars. [**NAVIS**.] Such ships were called *dicrota* by the Greeks, which term is also used by Cicero. 2. A boat rowed by two oars.

BISSEXTUS ANNUS. [**CALENDARIUM**, p. 60.]

BOEDROMIA (*βοηδρόμια*), a festival celebrated at Athens on the seventh day of the month Boëdromion, in honour of Apollo Bœdromius. The name Boëdromius, by which Apollo was called in Boeotia and many other parts of Greece, seems to indicate that by this festival he was honoured as a martial god, who either by his actual presence or by his oracles afforded assistance in the dangers of war.

BITS of horses. [**FRENUM**.]

BOEOTARCHES (*βοιωτάρχης*, or *βοιωτάρχος*), the name of the chief magistrates of the Boeotian confederacy, chosen by the different states. Their duties were chiefly

of a military character. Each state of the confederacy elected one boeotarch, the Thebans two. The total number from the whole confederacy varied with the number of the independent states, but at the time of the Peloponnesian war they appear to have been ten or twelve.

The boeotarchs, when engaged in military service, formed a council of war, the decisions of which were determined by a majority of votes, the president being one of the two Theban boeotarchs, who commanded alternately. Their period of service was a year, beginning about the winter solstice; and whoever continued in office longer than his time was punishable with death, both at Thebes and in other cities.

BONA, property. The phrase *in bonis* is frequently used as opposed to *dominium* or *Quiritarian ownership* (*ex jure Quiritium*). The ownership of certain kinds of things among the Romans could only be transferred from one person to another with certain formalities, or acquired by usucapion (that is, the uninterrupted possession of a thing for a certain time). But if it was clearly the intention of the owner to transfer the ownership, and the necessary forms only were wanting, the purchaser had the thing *in bonis*, and he had the enjoyment of it, though the original owner was still *legally* the owner, and was said to have the thing *ex jure Quiritium*, notwithstanding he had parted with the thing. The person who possessed a thing *in bonis* was protected in the enjoyment of it by the praetor, and consequently after a time would obtain the Quiritarian ownership of it by usucapion. [**USUCAPIO**.]

BOOK. [**LIBER**.]

BOOKSELLER. [**BIBLIOPOLA**.]

BOOT. [**COTHURNUS**.]

BOREASMUS (*Βορεασμός* or *Βορεασμοί*), a festival celebrated by the Athenians in honour of Boreas, which, as Herodotus seems to think, was instituted during the Persian war, when the Athenians, being commanded by an oracle to invoke their *γαμβρός ἐπικούρωρος*, prayed to Boreas. But considering that Boreas was intimately connected with the early history of Attica, we have reason to suppose that even previous to the Persian wars certain honours were paid to him, which were perhaps only revived and increased after the event recorded by Herodotus. The festival, however, does not seem ever to have had any great celebrity.

BOTTOMRY. [**FENUS**.]

BOULE (*Βουλή*—*ἡ τῶν πεντακσίων*). In the heroic ages, represented to us by Homer, the *boulé* is simply an aristocratical council of

the elders amongst the nobles, sitting under their king as president, which decided on public business and judicial matters, frequently in connexion with, but apparently not subject to an *agora*, or meeting of the freemen of the state. [AGORA.] This form of government, though it existed for some time in the Ionian, Aeolian, and Achaean states, was at last wholly abolished in these states. Among the Dorians, however, especially among the Spartans, this was not the case, for they retained the kingly power of the Heracleidae, in conjunction with the *Gerousia* or assembly of elders, of which the kings were members. [GEROUSIA.] At Athens, on the contrary, the *boulé* was a representative, and in most respects a popular body (*δημοτικόν*).

The first institution of the Athenian *boulé*, is generally attributed to Solon; but there are strong reasons for supposing that, as in the case of the *Areiopagus*, he merely modified the constitution of a body which he found already existing. But be this as it may, it is admitted that Solon made the number of his *boulé* 400, 100 from each of the four tribes. When the number of the tribes was raised to ten by Cleisthenes (B.C. 510), the council also was increased to 500, fifty being taken from each of the ten tribes. The *bouleutae* (*βουλευταί*) or councillors, were appointed by lot, and hence they are called councillors made by the bean (*οἱ ἀπὸ τοῦ κνάμον βουλευταί*), from the use of beans in drawing lots. They were required to submit to a scrutiny or *doctasia*, in which they gave evidence of being genuine citizens, of never having lost their civic rights by *atimia*, and also of being above 30 years of age. They remained in office for a year, receiving a drachma (*μισθὸς βουλευτικός*) for each day on which they sat; and independent of the general account (*εὐθύναι*), which the whole body had to give at the end of the year, any single member was liable to expulsion for misconduct, by his colleagues.

The senate of 500 was divided into ten sections of fifty each, the members of which were called *prytanes* (*πρυτάνεις*), and were all of the same tribe; they acted as presidents both of the council and the assemblies during thirty-five or thirty-six days, as the case might be, so as to complete the lunar year of 354 days ($12 \times 29\frac{1}{2}$). Each tribe exercised these functions in turn; the period of office was called a *prytany* (*πρυτανεία*), and the tribe that presided the *presiding tribe*; the order in which the tribes presided was determined by lot, and the four supernumerary days were given to the tribes which came last in order. Moreover, to obviate the difficulty of having too many in office at once, every fifty was subdivided

into five bodies of ten each; its *prytany* also being portioned out into five periods of seven days each; so that only ten senators presided for a week over the rest, and were thence called *proedri* (*πρόεδροι*). Again out of these *proedri* an *epistates* (*ἐπιστάτης*) was chosen for one day to preside as a chairman in the senate and the assembly of the people: during his day of office he kept the public records and seal.

The *prytanes* had the right of convening the council and the assembly (*ἐκκλησία*). The duty of the *proedri* and their president was to propose subjects for discussion, and to take the votes both of the councillors and the people; for neglect of their duty they were liable to a fine. Moreover, whenever a meeting, either of the council or of the assembly, was convened, the chairman of the *proedri* selected by lot nine others, one from each of the non-presiding tribes; these also were called *proedri*, and possessed a chairman of their own, likewise appointed by lot from among themselves. But the *proedri* who proposed the subject for discussion to the assembly belonged to the presiding tribe.

It is observed, under *AREIOPAGUS*, that the chief object of Solon, in forming the senate and the *areiopagus*, was to control the democratical powers of the state: for this purpose he ordained that the senate should discuss and vote upon all matters before they were submitted to the assembly, so that nothing could be laid before the people on which the senate had not come to a previous decision. This decision, or bill, was called *probouleuma* (*προβούλευμα*); but then not only might this *probouleuma* be rejected or modified by the assembly, but the latter also possessed and exercised the power of coming to a decision completely different from the will of the senate. In addition to the bills which it was the duty of the senate to propose of their own accord, there were others of a different character, viz. such as any private individual might wish to have submitted to the people. To accomplish this, it was first necessary for the party to obtain, by petition, the privilege of access to the senate, and leave to propose his motion; and if the measure met with their approbation, he could then submit it to the assembly. A proposal of this kind, which had the sanction of the senate, was also called *probouleuma*, and frequently related to the conferring of some particular honour or privilege upon an individual. Thus the proposal of Ctesiphon for crowning Demosthenes is so styled. In the assembly the bill of the senate was first read, perhaps by the crier, after the introductory ceremonies were over; and then

the proedri put the question to the people, whether they approved of it. The people declared their will by a show of hands (*προχειροτονία*). If it was confirmed it became a *psēphisma* (*ψηφισμα*), or decree of the people, binding upon all classes. The form for drawing up such decrees varied in different ages. In the time of Demosthenes the decrees commence with the name of the archon; then come the day of the month, the tribe in office, and lastly, the name of the proposer. The motive for passing the decree is next stated: and then follows the decree itself, prefaced with the formula *δεδοχθαι τῇ βουλῇ καὶ τῷ δήμῳ*.

The senate house was called *Bouleuterion* (*βουλευτήριον*).

The prytanes also had a building to hold their meetings in, where they were entertained at the public expense during their prytany. This was called the *Prytaneion*, and was used for a variety of purposes. [PRYTANION.]

BOW. [ARCUS.]

BOXING. [PUGILATUS.]

BRACAE, or BRACCAE (*ἀναξυρίδες*), trowsers, pantaloons, were common to all the



Bracae, Trowsers.

nations which encircled the Greek and Roman population, extending from the Indian to the Atlantic ocean, but were not worn by the Greeks and Romans themselves. Accordingly the monuments containing representations of people different from the Greeks and Romans exhibit them in trowsers, thus distinguishing them from the latter people. An example is seen in the preceding group of Sarmatians.

BRACELET. [ARMILLA.]

BRASS. [ÆS.]

BUCCINA.

BRAURO'NIA (*βραυρώνια*), a festival celebrated in honour of Diana Brauronia, in the Attic town of Brauron, where Orestes and Iphigeneia, on their return from Tauria, were supposed by the Athenians to have landed, and left the statue of the Taurian goddess. It was held every fifth year, and the chief solemnity consisted in the Attic girls between the ages of five and ten years going in solemn procession to the sanctuary, where they were consecrated to the goddess. During this act the priests sacrificed a goat, and the girls performed a propitiatory rite, in which they imitated bears. This rite may have simply risen from the circumstance that the bear was sacred to Diana, especially in Arcadia. There was also a quinquennial festival called Brauronia, which was celebrated by men and dissolute women, at Brauron, in honour of Bacchus.

BREAKFAST. [COENA; DEIPNON.]

BREASTPLATE. [LORICA.]

BRIBERY. [AMBITUS.]

BRIDE. [MATRIMONIUM.]

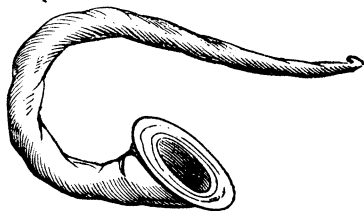
BRIDGE. [PONS.]

BRIDLE. [FRENUM.]

BRONZE. [ÆS.]

BROOCH. [FIBULA.]

BUCCINA (*βυκίνη*), a kind of horn trumpet, anciently made out of a shell (*buccinum*), the form of which is exhibited in the two specimens annexed. In the former it is curved for the convenience of the performer with a very wide mouth, to diffuse and increase the sound. In the next, it still retains the original form of the shell. The *buccina* was distinct from the *cornu*; but it is often confounded with it. The *buccina* seems to have been



Buccinae, Trumpets.

chiefly distinguished by the twisted form of the shell, from which it was originally made.

In later times it was carved from horn, and perhaps from wood or metal, so as to imitate the shell.

The *buccina* was chiefly used to proclaim the watches of the day and of the night, hence called *buccina prima, secunda*, &c. It was also blown at funerals, and at festive entertainments both before sitting down to table and after.

BULLA, a circular plate or boss of metal, so called from its resemblance in form to a



Bulla, usual form and size.

bubble floating upon water. Bright studs of this description were used to adorn the sword belt; but we most frequently read of *bullae* as ornaments worn by children, suspended from the neck, and especially by the sons of the noble and wealthy. The bulla was usually made of thin plates of gold.

BURIS. [ARATRUM.]

BUSTUM. It was customary among the Romans to burn the bodies of the dead before burying them. When the spot appointed for that purpose adjoined the place of sepulture, it was termed *bustum*; when it was separate from it, it was called *ustrina*.

From this word the gladiators, who were hired to fight round the burning pyre of the deceased, were called *bustuarii*.

BURIAL. [FUNUS.]

BURNING the dead. [FUNUS.]

BUXUM or BUXUS, probably means the wood of the box-tree, but was given as a name to many things made of this wood. The

tablets used for writing on, and covered with wax (*tabulae ceratae*), were usually made of this wood. In the same way the Greek *πυξίον*, formed from *πύξος*, "box-wood," came to be applied to any tablets, whether they were made of this wood or any other substance.

Tops were made of box-wood, and also all wind instruments, especially the flute. Combs likewise were made of the same wood.

BYSSUS (*βύσσος*), linen, and not cotton. The word byssus appears to come from the Hebrew *butz*, and the Greeks probably got it through the Phoenicians.

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CABEIRIA (*καβείρια*), mysteries, festivals, and orgies, solemnized in all places in which the Pelasgian Cabeiri were worshipped, but especially in Samothrace. Imbros, Lemnos, Thebes, Anthedon, Pergamus, and Berytos. Little is known respecting the rites observed in these mysteries, as no one was allowed to divulge them. The most celebrated were those of the island of Samothrace, which, if we may judge from those of Lemnos, were solemnized every year, and lasted for nine days. Persons on their admission seem to have undergone a sort of examination respecting the life they had led hitherto, and were then purified of all their crimes, even if they had committed murder.

CADISCI or CADI (*καδίσκοι* or *κάδοι*), were small vessels or urns, in which the counters or pebbles of the dicasts were put, when they gave their votes on a trial. There were in fact usually two *cadisci*: one made of copper, in which the voting pebble was put; the other made of wood, in which the other pebble, which had not been used, was put. After all had voted, the presiding officer emptied the counters or pebbles from the metal urn, and counted them on the table. Judgment was then given accordingly.

CADUCEUS (*κηρύκειον, κηρύκιον*), the staff or mace carried by heralds and ambassadors in time of war. This name is also given to the staff with which Hermes or Mercury is usually represented, as is shown in the following figure of that god.

From *caduceus* was formed the word *caduceator*, which signified a person sent to treat of peace. The persons of the *caduceatores* were considered sacred.



Mercury bearing the Caduceus.

CADUS (κάδος, κάδος), a large earthen vessel, which was used for several purposes among the ancients. Wine was frequently kept in it, and we learn from an author quoted by Pollux, that the amphora was also called cadus. The vessel used in drawing water from wells was called cadus, or γανλός.

CAECUBUM VINUM, a name given to a wine which was at one time the best growth of the Falernian vineyards. "Formerly," says Pliny, "the Caecuban wine, which came from the poplar marshes of Amyclae, was most esteemed of all the Campanian wines; but it has now lost its repute, partly from the negligence of the growers, and partly from the limited extent of the vineyard, which has been nearly destroyed by the navigable canal that was begun by Nero from Avernus to Ostia." The Caecuban wine is described by Galen as a generous, durable wine, but apt to affect the head, and ripening only after a long term of years. It appears to have been one of Horace's favourite wines, of which he speaks in general as having been reserved for important festivals. After the breaking up of the principal vineyards which supplied it, this wine would necessarily become very scarce and valuable.

CAERITUM TABULAE. The inhabitants of Caere obtained from the Romans, in early times, the Roman franchise, but without the *suffragium*. The names of the citizens

CALCAR.

of Caere were kept at Rome in lists called *tabulae Caeritum*, in which the names of all other citizens, who had not the suffragium, appear to have been entered in later times. All citizens who were degraded by the censors to the rank of aerarians, were classed among the Caerites; and hence we find the expressions of *aerarium facere*, and in *tabulas Caeritum referri*, used as synonymous. [AERARIL.]

CALAMISTRUM, an instrument made of iron, and hollow like a reed (*calamus*), used for curling the hair. For this purpose it was heated, the person who performed the office of heating it in wood ashes (*cinis*) being called *ciniflo*, or *cinerarius*.

CALAMUS, a sort of reed which the ancients used as a pen for writing. The best sorts were got from Aegypt and Cnidus.

CALATHUS (κάλαθος, also called *τάλαρος*), usually signified the basket in which women placed their work, and especially the materials for spinning. In the following cut a slave, belonging to the class called *quasillariae*, is presenting her mistress with the calathus.



Slave presenting a Calathus.

Baskets of this kind were also used for other purposes, such as for carrying fruits, flowers, &c. The name of calathi was also given to cups for holding wine. Calathus was properly a Greek word, though used by the Latin writers. The Latin word corresponding to it was *qualus* or *quasillus*. From *quasillus* came *quasillaria*, the name of the slave who spun, and who was considered the meanest of the female slaves.

CALCAR, a spur, that is, a goad attached to the heel (*calx*) in riding on horseback, and used to urge on the horse to greater swiftness. The early adoption of this contrivance by the Romans appears from the mention of it in Plautus and Lucretius. It is afterward often

alluded to by Cicero, Ovid, Virgil, and subsequent Roman authors. On the other hand, we do not find that the Greeks used any spurs, and this may account for the fact, that they are seldom, if ever, seen on antique statues.

CALCEUS, CALCEA'MEN, CALCEAMENTUM (ὑπόδημα, πέδιλον), a shoe or boot, anything adapted to cover and preserve the feet in walking.

The use of shoes was by no means universal among the Greeks and Romans. The Homeric heroes are represented without shoes when armed for battle. Socrates, Phocion, and Cato, frequently went barefoot. The Roman slaves had no shoes. The covering of the feet was removed before reclining at meals. People in grief, as for instance at funerals, frequently went barefooted.

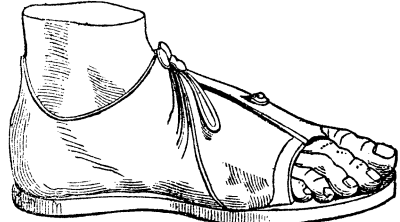
Shoes may be divided into those in which the mere sole of a shoe was attached to the sole of the foot by ties or bands, or by a covering for the toes or the instep [**SOLEA**; **CREPIDA**; **SOCCUS**]; and those which ascended higher and higher, according as they covered the ankles, the calf, or the whole of the leg. To calceamenta of the latter kind, i. e. to shoes and boots, as distinguished from sandals and slippers, the term *calceus* was applied



Calcei, Women's Shoes.

in its proper and restricted sense. There were also other varieties of the *calceus* according to its adaptation to particular professions or modes of life. Thus the **CALIGA** was principally worn by soldiers; the **PERO**, by labourers and rustics; and the **COTHURNUS** by tragedians, hunters, and horsemen. The *calcei* probably did not much differ from our shoes, and are exemplified in a painting at Herculaneum, which represents a female wearing bracelets, a wreath of ivy, and a panther's skin, while she is in the attitude of dancing and playing on the cymbals.

On the other hand, a marble foot in the British Museum exhibits the form of a man's shoe. Both the sole and the upper leather are thick and strong. The toes are uncovered, and a thong passes between the great and the second toe, as a sandal.



Calceus, Man's Shoe.

The form and colour of the calceus indicated rank and office. Roman senators wore high shoes like buskins, fastened in front with four black thongs, and adorned with a small crescent. Among the *calcei* worn by senators, those called *mulleti*, from their resemblance to the scales of the red mullet, were particularly admired; as well as others called *alutae*, because the leather was softened by the use of alum.

CALCULATOR (λογιστής), a keeper of accounts in general, and also a teacher of arithmetic. In Roman families of importance there was a *calculator* or account-keeper, who is, however, more frequently called by the name of *dispensator*, or procurator: he was a kind of steward.

CALCULI, little stones or pebbles, used for various purposes, as, for instance, among the Athenians for voting. *Calculi* were used in playing a sort of draughts. Subsequently, instead of pebbles, ivory, or silver, or gold, or other men (as we call them) were used; but they still bore the name of *calculi*. *Calculi* were also used in reckoning; and hence the phrases *calculus ponere*, *calculus subducere*.

CALDA'RIUM. [BALNEUM.]
CALENDÆ or KALENDÆ. [CALEN-
DARIUM.]

CALEND'A'RIUM or KALEND'A'RIUM, generally signified an account-book, in which were entered the names of a person's debtors, with the interest which they had to pay, and it was so called because the interest had to be paid on the calends of each month. The word, however, was also used in the signification of a modern calendar or almanac.

I. GREEK CALENDAR. The Greek year was divided into twelve lunar months, depending on the actual changes of the moon. The first day of the month (*νομηνία*) was not the day of the conjunction, but the day on the evening of which the new moon appeared; consequently full moon was the middle of the month. The lunar month consists of twenty-nine days and about thirteen hours; accordingly some months were necessarily reckoned at twenty-nine days, and rather more of them at thirty days. The latter were called *full months* (*πληρεῖς*), the former *hollow months* (*κοῖλοι*).

As the twelve lunar months fell short of the solar year, they were obliged every other year to interpolate an intercalary month (*μὴν ἐμβολωμαῖος*) of thirty or twenty-nine days. The ordinary year consisted of 354 days, and the interpolated year, therefore, of 384 or 383. This interpolated year (*τριετηρῆς*) was seven days and a half too long, and to correct the error, the intercalary month was from time to time omitted. The Attic year began with the summer solstice: the following is the sequence of the Attic months, and the number of days in each:—Hecatombaeon (30), Metageitnion (29), Boedromion (30), Pyanepsion (29), Maemacterion (30), Poseideon (29), Gamelion (30), Anthesterion (29), Elaphebolion (30), Munychion (29), Thargelion (30), Scirophorion (29). The intercalary month was a second Poseideon inserted in the middle of the year. Every Athenian month was divided into three decads. The days of the first decad were designated as *ἱσταμένον* or *ἀρχομένου μηνός*, and were counted on regularly from one to ten; thus *δευτέρα ἀρχομένου* or *ἱσταμένου* is "the second day of the month." The days of the second decad were designated as *ἐπὶ δέκα*, or *μεσοῦντος*, and were counted on regularly from the 11th to the 20th day, which was called *εἰκάς*. There were two ways of counting the days of the last decad; they were either reckoned on-wards from the 20th (thus, *πρώτη ἐπὶ εἰκάδι* was the 21st), or backwards from the last day, with the addition *θβίνοντος*, *πανομένου*, *ληγοντος*, or *ἀπίνοντος*, thus the twenty-first day of a hollow month was *ἐνάτη θβίνοντος*; or a

full month, *δεκάτη θβίνοντος*. The last day of the month was called *ἐξη καὶ νέα*, "the old and new," because as the lunar month really consisted of more than twenty-nine and less than thirty days, the last day might be considered as belonging equally to the old and new month.

Separate years were designated at Athens by the name of the chief archon, hence called *archon eponymus* (*ἀρχων ἐπώνυμος*), or "the name giving archon;" at Sparta, by the first of the ephors; at Argos, by the priestess of Juno, &c. The method of reckoning by Olympiads was brought into use by Timaeus of Tauromenium about B. C. 260. As this clumsy method of reckoning is still retained, it will be right to give the rules for converting Olympiads into the year B. C., and *vice versa*:—

1. To find the year B. C., given *n*th year of Ol. *p.*, take the formula $781 - (4p + n)$. If the event happened in the second half of the Attic year, this must be farther reduced by 1; for the Attic year, as mentioned above, commenced with the summer solstice. Thus Socrates was put to death in Thargelion of Ol. 95, 1. Therefore in B. C.

$$\left\{ 781 - (4 \times 95 + 1) \right\} - 1 = (781 - 381)$$

$$- 1 = 400 - 1 = 399.$$

2. To find the Olympiad, given the year *n*. B. C., take the formula $\frac{781 - n}{4}$.

The quotient is the Ol., and the remainder the current year of it; if there is no remainder, the current year is the fourth of the Olympiad. If the event happened in the second half of the given year, it must be increased by 1. Thus, to take the event just mentioned, Socrates was put to death

$$\frac{781 - (399 + 1)}{4} = \frac{781 - 400}{4} = \text{Ol. 95, 1.}$$

Demosthenes was born in the summer of 382, therefore in $\frac{781 - 382}{4} = \frac{399}{4} = \text{Ol. 99, 3.}$

II. ROMAN CALENDAR. The old Roman, frequently called the Romulan year, consisted of only ten months, which were called Martius, Aprilis, Maius, Junius, Quintilis, Sextilis, September, October, November, December. That March was the first month in the year is implied in the last six names. Of these months four, namely, Martius, Maius, Quintilis, and October, consisted of thirty-one days, the other six of thirty. The four former were distinguished in the latest form of the Roman calendar by having their nones two days later than any of the other months.

The symmetry of this arrangement will appear by placing the numbers in succession:—31, 30; 31, 30; 31, 30, 30; 31, 30, 30.

The Romulian year therefore consisted of 304 days, and contained thirty-eight *nundinae* or weeks; every eighth day, under the name of *nonae*, or *nundinae*, being especially devoted to religious and other public purposes. Hence we find that the number of *dies fasti* afterwards retained in the Julian calendar tally exactly with these thirty-eight *nundinae*: besides which, it may be observed that a year of 304 days bears to a solar year of 365 days nearly the ratio of five to six, six of the Romulian years containing 1824, five of the solar years, 1825 days; and hence we may explain the origin of the well-known quinquennial period called the *lustrum*, which ancient writers expressly call an *annus magnus*; that is, in the modern language of chronology, a cycle. It was consequently the period at which the Romulian and solar years coincided.

The next division of the Roman year was said to have been made by Numa Pompilius, who instituted a lunar year of 12 months and 355 days. Livy says that Numa so regulated his lunar year of twelve months by the insertion of intercalary months, that at the end of every nineteenth year (*vicesimo anno*) it again coincided with the same point in the sun's course from which it started. It is well known that 19 years constitute a most convenient cycle for the junction of a lunar and solar year.

It seems certain that the Romans continued to use a lunar year for some time after the establishment of the republic; and it was probably at the time of the decemviral legislation that the lunar year was abandoned. By the change which was then made the year consisted of 12 months, the length of each of which was as follows:—

Martius,	31 days.	September,	29 days.
Aprilis,	29 "	October,	31 "
Maius,	31 "	November,	29 "
Junius,	29 "	December,	29 "
Quintilis,	31 "	Januarius,	29 "
Sextilis,	29 "	Februarius,	28 "

The year thus consisted of 355 days, and this was made to correspond with the solar year by the insertion of an intercalary month (*mensis intercalaris* or *intercalarius*), called *Mercedonius* or *Mercdonius*. This month of 22 or 23 days seems to have been inserted in alternate years.

As the festivals of the Romans were for the most part dependent upon the calendar, the regulation of the latter was entrusted to the college of pontifices, who in early times

were chosen exclusively from the body of patricians. It was therefore in the power of the college to add to their other means of oppressing the plebeians, by keeping to themselves the knowledge of the days on which justice could be administered, and assemblies of the people could be held. In the year 304 B. C., one Cn. Flavius, a secretary (*scriba*), of Appius Claudius, is said fraudulently to have made the *Fasti* public. The other privilege of regulating the year by the insertion of the intercalary month gave the pontiffs great political power, which they were not backward to employ. Every thing connected with the matter of intercalation was left to their unrestrained pleasure; and the majority of them, on personal grounds, added to or took from the year by capricious intercalations, so as to lengthen or shorten the period during which a magistrate remained in office, and seriously to benefit or injure the farmer of the public revenue.

The calendar was thus involved in complete confusion, and accordingly we find that in the time of Cicero the year was three months in advance of the real solar year. At length, in the year B. C. 46, Caesar, now master of the Roman world, employed his authority, as pontifex maximus, in the correction of this serious evil. The account of the way in which he effected this is given by Censorinus:—"The confusion was at last carried so far that C. Caesar, the pontifex maximus, in his third consulate, with Lepidus for his colleague, inserted between November and December two intercalary months of 67 days, the month of February having already received an intercalation of 23 days, and thus made the whole year to consist of 445 days. At the same time he provided against a repetition of similar errors, by casting aside the intercalary month, and adapting the year to the sun's course. Accordingly, to the 355 days of the previously existing year he added ten days, which he so distributed between the seven months having 29 days that January, Sextilis, and December received two each, the others but one; and these additional days he placed at the end of the several months, no doubt with the wish not to remove the various festivals from those positions in the several months which they had so long occupied. Hence in the present calendar, although there are seven months of 31 days, yet the four months, which from the first possessed that number, are still distinguishable by having their nones on the seventh, the rest having them on the fifth of the month. Lastly in consideration of the quarter of a day, which he considered as completing

the true year, he established the rule that, at the end of every four years, a single day should be intercalated, where the month had been hitherto inserted, that is, immediately after the terminalia; which day is now called the *bissextum*."

The mode of denoting the days of the month will cause no difficulty, if it be recollected that the kalends always denote the first of the month; that the nones occur on the seventh of the four months of March, May, Quintilis or July, and October, and on the fifth of the other months; that the ides always fall eight days later than the nones; and lastly, that the intermediate days are in all cases reckoned backwards upon the Roman principle of counting both extremes.

For the month of January the notation will be as follows:—

1. Kal. Jan.
2. a. d. IV. Non. Jan.
3. a. d. III. Non. Jan.
4. Prid. Non. Jan.
5. Non. Jan.
6. a. d. VIII. Id. Jan.
7. a. d. VII. Id. Jan.
8. a. d. VI. Id. Jan.
9. a. d. V. Id. Jan.
10. a. d. IV. Id. Jan.
11. a. d. III. Id. Jan.
12. Prid. Id. Jan.
13. Id. Jan.
14. a. d. XIX. Kal. Feb.
15. a. d. XVIII. Kal. Feb.
16. a. d. XVII. Kal. Feb.
17. a. d. XVI. Kal. Feb.
18. a. d. XV. Kal. Feb.
19. a. d. XIV. Kal. Feb.
20. a. d. XIII. Kal. Feb.
21. a. d. XII. Kal. Feb.
22. a. d. XI. Kal. Feb.
23. a. d. X. Kal. Feb.
24. a. d. IX. Kal. Feb.
25. a. d. VIII. Kal. Feb.
26. a. d. VII. Kal. Feb.
27. a. d. VI. Kal. Feb.
28. a. d. V. Kal. Feb.
29. a. d. IV. Kal. Feb.
30. a. d. III. Kal. Feb.
31. Prid. Kal. Feb.

The letters *a d* are often, through error, written together, and so confounded with the preposition *ad* which would have a different meaning, for *ad kalendas* would signify *by*, i. e. *on or before the kalends*. The letters are in fact an abridgement of *ante diem*, and the full phrase for "on the second of January" would be *ante diem quartum nonas Januarias*. The word *ante* in this expression seems really to

belong in sense to *nonas*, and to be the cause why *nonas* is an accusative. Whether the phrase *kalendae Januarii* was ever used by the best writers is doubtful. The words are commonly abbreviated; and those passages where Aprilis, Decembris, &c. occur are of no avail, as they are probably accusatives. The *ante* may be omitted, in which case the phrase will be *die quarto nonarum*.

In the leap year (to use a modern phrase), the last days of February were called,—

- Feb. 23. a. d. VII. Kal. Mart.
- Feb. 24. a. d. VI. Kal. Mart. posteriorem.
- Feb. 25. a. d. VI. Kal. Mart. priorem.
- Feb. 26. a. d. V. Kal. Mart.
- Feb. 27. a. d. IV. Kal. Mart.
- Feb. 28. a. d. III. Kal. Mart.
- Feb. 29. Prid. Kal. Mart.

In which the words *prior* and *posterior* are used in reference to the retrograde direction of the reckoning.

From the fact that the intercalated year has two days called *ante diem sextum*, the name bissextile has been applied to it. The term *annus bissextilis*, however, does not occur in any classical writer, but in the place of it the phrase *annus bissextus*.

The names of two of the months were changed in honour of Julius Caesar and Augustus. Julius was substituted for Quintilis, the month in which Caesar was born, in the second Julian year, that is, the year of the dictator's death, for the first Julian year was the first year of the *corrected* Julian calendar, that is, B. C. 45. The name Augustus in place of Sextilis was introduced by the emperor himself in B. C. 27. The month of September in like manner received the name of Germanicus from the general so called, and the appellation appears to have existed even in the time of Macrobius. Domitian, too, conferred his name upon October; but the old word was restored upon the death of the tyrant.

The Julian calendar supposes the mean tropical year to be 365 d. 6 h.; but this exceeds the real amount by 11' 12", the accumulation of which, year after year, caused at last considerable inconvenience. Accordingly, in the year 1582, Pope Gregory XIII. again reformed the calendar. The ten days by which the year had been unduly retarded were struck out by a regulation that the day after the fourth of October in that year should be called the fifteenth; and it was ordered that whereas hitherto an intercalary day had been inserted every four years, for the future three such intercalations in the course of four hundred years should be omitted, viz. in those years which are divisible without remainder by 100,

but not by 400. Thus, according to the Julian calendar, the years 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, were to be bissextile as before. The bull which effected this change was issued Feb. 24th, 1582. The Protestant parts of Europe resisted what they called a papistical invention for more than a century. In England the Gregorian calendar was first adopted in 1752. In Russia, and those countries which be-

longed to the Greek church, the Julian year or *old style*, as it is called, still prevails.

In the ancient Calendars the letters A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, were used for the purpose of fixing the nundines in the week of eight days; precisely in the same way in which the first seven letters are still employed in ecclesiastical calendars, to mark the days of the Christian week.

JANUARIUS.			APRILIS.			QUINTILIS, OR JULIUS.		
A. 1	Jan. Kal.	E. 14	C. 1	Apr. Kal.	A. 17	F. 1	Jul. Kal.	
B. 2	IV.	F. 15	D. 2	IV.	B. 18	G. 2	VI.	
C. 3	III.	G. 16	E. 3	III.	C. 19	H. 3	V.	
D. 4	Prid.	H. 17	F. 4	Prid.	D. 20	A. 4	IV.	
E. 5	Non.	A. 18	G. 5	Non.	E. 21	B. 5	III.	
F. 6	VIII.	B. 19	H. 6	VIII.	F. 22	C. 6	Prid.	
G. 7	VII.	C. 20	A. 7	VII.	G. 23	D. 7	Non.	
H. 8	VI.	D. 21	B. 8	VI.	H. 24	E. 8	VIII.	
A. 9	V.	E. 22	C. 9	V.	A. 25	F. 9	VII.	
B. 10	IV.	F. 23	D. 10	IV.	B. 26	G. 10	VI.	
C. 11	III.	G. 24	E. 11	III.	C. 27	H. 11	V.	
D. 12	Prid.	H. 25	F. 12	Prid.	D. 28	A. 12	IV.	
E. 13	Id.	A. 26	G. 13	Id.	E. 29	B. 13	III.	
F. 14	XIX.	B. 27	H. 14	XVIII.	F. 30	C. 14	Prid.	
G. 15	XVIII.	C. 28	A. 15	XVII.	G. 31	D. 15	Id.	
H. 16	XVII.		B. 16	XVI.		E. 16	XVII.	
A. 17	XVI.		C. 17	XV.		F. 17	XVI.	
B. 18	XV.		D. 18	XIV.		G. 18	XV.	
C. 19	XIV.		E. 19	XIII.		H. 19	XIV.	
D. 20	XIII.		F. 20	XII.		A. 20	XIII.	
E. 21	XII.		G. 21	XI.		B. 21	XII.	
F. 22	XI.		H. 22	X.		C. 22	XI.	
G. 23	X.		A. 23	IX.		D. 23	X.	
H. 24	IX.		B. 24	VIII.		E. 24	IX.	
A. 25	VIII.		C. 25	VII.		F. 25	VIII.	
B. 26	VII.		D. 26	VI.		G. 26	VII.	
C. 27	VI.		E. 27	V.		H. 27	VI.	
D. 28	V.		F. 28	IV.		A. 28	V.	
E. 29	IV.		G. 29	III.		B. 29	IV.	
F. 30	III.		H. 30	Prid.		C. 30	III.	
G. 31	Prid.					D. 31	Prid.	
FEBRUARIUS.			MARTIUS.			JUNIUS.		
H. 1	Feb. Kal.	D. 1	D. 1	Mart. Kal.		H. 1	Jun. Kal.	
A. 2	IV.	E. 2	E. 2	VI.		A. 2	IV.	
B. 3	III.	F. 3	F. 3	V.		B. 3	III.	
C. 4	Prid.	G. 4	G. 4	IV.		C. 4	Prid.	
D. 5	Non.	H. 5	H. 5	III.		D. 5	Non.	
E. 6	VIII.	A. 6	A. 6	Prid.		E. 6	VIII.	
F. 7	VII.	B. 7	B. 7	Non.		F. 7	VII.	
G. 8	VI.	C. 8	C. 8	VIII.		G. 8	VI.	
H. 9	V.	D. 9	D. 9	VII.		H. 9	V.	
A. 10	IV.	E. 10	E. 10	VI.		A. 10	IV.	
B. 11	III.	F. 11	F. 11	V.		B. 11	III.	
C. 12	Prid.	G. 12	G. 12	IV.		C. 12	Prid.	
D. 13	Id.	H. 13	H. 13	III.		D. 13	Id.	
		A. 14	A. 14	Prid.		E. 14	XVIII.	
		B. 15	B. 15	Id.		F. 15	XVII.	
		C. 16	C. 16	XVII.		G. 16	XVI.	
		D. 17	D. 17	XVI.		H. 17	XV.	
		E. 18	E. 18	XV.		A. 18	XIV.	
		F. 19	F. 19	XIV.		B. 19	XIII.	
		G. 20	G. 20	XIII.		C. 20	XII.	
		H. 21	H. 21	XII.		D. 21	XI.	
		A. 22	A. 22	XI.		E. 22	X.	
		B. 23	B. 23	X.		F. 23	Non.	
		C. 24	C. 24	IX.		G. 24	VIII.	
		D. 25	D. 25	VIII.		H. 25	VII.	
		E. 26	E. 26	VII.		A. 26	VI.	
		F. 27	F. 27	VI.		B. 27	V.	
		G. 28	G. 28	V.		C. 28	IV.	
		H. 29	H. 29	IV.		D. 29	III.	
		A. 30	A. 30	III.		E. 30	Prid.	
		B. 31	B. 31	Prid.				
FEBRUARIUS.			MAIUS.			SEXTILIS, OR AUGUSTUS.		
H. 1	Feb. Kal.	A. 1	A. 1	Mai. Kal.		E. 1	Aug. Kal.	
A. 2	IV.	B. 2	B. 2	VI.		F. 2	IV.	
B. 3	III.	C. 3	C. 3	V.		G. 3	III.	
C. 4	Prid.	D. 4	D. 4	IV.		H. 4	Prid.	
D. 5	Non.	E. 5	E. 5	III.		A. 5	Non.	
E. 6	VIII.	F. 6	F. 6	Non.		B. 6	VIII.	
F. 7	VII.	G. 7	G. 7	VIII.		C. 7	VII.	
G. 8	VI.	H. 8	H. 8	VII.		D. 8	VI.	
H. 9	V.	A. 9	A. 9	VI.		E. 9	V.	
A. 10	IV.	B. 10	B. 10	V.		F. 10	IV.	
B. 11	III.	C. 11	C. 11	IV.		G. 11	III.	
C. 12	Prid.	D. 12	D. 12	III.		H. 12	Prid.	
D. 13	Id.	E. 13	E. 13	Id.				
		F. 14	F. 14					
		G. 15	G. 15					

CANDELA.

us. 2. A small boat used in early times by the people who inhabited the shores of the Palus Maeotis, capable of containing from twenty-five to thirty men. These boats were made to work fore and aft, like the fast-sailing proas of the Indian seas, and continued in use until the age of Tacitus.

CAMILI and CAMILLAE, the names of certain boys and girls who assisted at sacrifices among the Romans.

CAMINUS. [DOMUS.]

CAMP. [CASTRA.]

CAMPESTRE (sc. *subligar*), a kind of girdle or apron, which the Roman youths wore around their loins, when they exercised naked in the Campus Martius. The campestre was sometimes worn in warm weather, in place of the tunic under the toga.

CAMPUS SCELERATUS, was a spot within the walls, and close by the Porta Collina, where those of the vestal virgins who had transgressed their vows were entombed alive, from which circumstance it took its name. As it was unlawful to bury within the city, or to slay a vestal, whose person, even when polluted by the crime alluded to, was held sacred, this expedient was resorted to in order to elude the superstition against taking away a consecrated life, or giving burial within the city.

CAMPUS MARTIUS, an open plain outside of Rome, so called because it was consecrated to the god Mars. It properly comprised two plains, which, though generally spoken of collectively, are sometimes distinguished. The former of these was the so-called *ager Tarquiniorum*, which originally belonged to the Tarquins, but was taken possession of by the people upon the expulsion of the Tarquins; the other was given to the Roman people by the vestal virgin Caia Taratia or Suffetia, and is sometimes called *Campus Tiberinus*, and sometimes *Campus Minor*.

The Comitia Centuriata were held in the Campus Martius, and hence the word *campus* is put for the comitia. It was included in the city by Aurelian when he enlarged the walls.

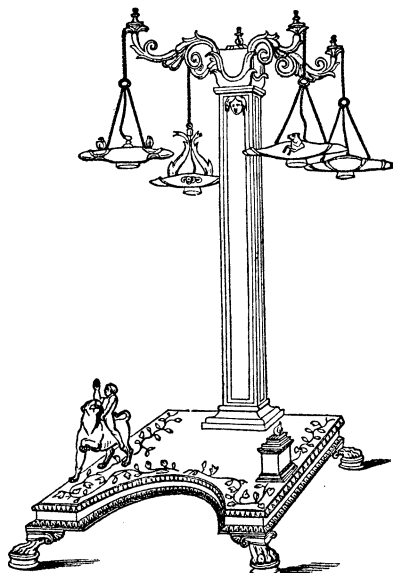
This plain was covered with perpetual verdure, and was a favourite resort for air, exercise, or recreation, when the labours of the day were over. Hence *campus* is used as "a field" for any exercise, mental or bodily.

CANDELA, a candle made either of wax (*cereæ*), or tallow (*sebacæ*), was used universally by the Romans before the invention of oil lamps (*lucernæ*). In later times candelæ were only used by the poorer classes; the houses of the more wealthy were always lighted by *lucernæ*.

CANDYS.

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CANDELABRUM, originally a candlestick, but afterwards the name of a stand for supporting lamps (*λυχνόχοι*), in which signification it most commonly occurs. The candelabra of this kind were usually made to stand upon the ground, and were of a considerable height. The most common kind were made of wood; but those which have been found in Herculaneum and Pompeii are



Bronze Candelabrum.

mostly of bronze. Sometimes they were made of the more precious metals, and even of jewels. The candelabra did not always stand upon the ground, but were also placed upon the table. Such candelabra usually consisted of pillars, from the capitals of which several lamps hung down, or of trees, from whose branches lamps also were suspended. The preceding cut represents a very elegant candelabrum of this kind, found in Pompeii.

CANDIDATUS. [AMBITUS.]

CANDYS (*κάνδης*), a robe worn by the Medes and Persians over their trowsers and other garments. It had wide sleeves, and was made of woollen cloth, which was either

purple or of some other splendid colour. In the Persepolitan sculptures, from which the annexed figures are taken, nearly all the principal personages wear it.



Candys, Persian Cloak.

CANEPHOROS (κανηφόρος), a virgin who carried a flat circular basket (κάνεον, *canistrum*) at sacrifices, in which the chaplet of flowers, the knife to slay the victim, and



Canephoroi.

sometimes the frankincense were deposited. The name, however, was more particularly applied to two virgins of the first Athenian families who were appointed to officiate as canephoroi at the Panathenaea. The preceding cut represents the two canephoroi approaching a candelabrum. Each of them elevates one arm to support the basket while she slightly raises her tunic with the other.

CANVASSING in elections. [*AMBITUS*.]

CANTHARUS (κάνθαρος) a kind of drinking cup, furnished with handles. It was the cup sacred to Bacchus, who is frequently represented on ancient vases holding it in his hand.



Bacchus holding a Cantharus.

CANTICUM, an interlude between the acts of a Roman comedy, and sometimes, perhaps, a tragedy. It consisted of flute music, accompanied by a kind of recitative performed by a single actor, or if there were two, the second was not allowed to speak with the first. In the canticum, as violent gesticulation was required, it appears to have been the custom, from the time of Livius Andronicus, for the actor to confine himself to the gesticulation, while another person sang the recitative.

CAPILLUS. [*COMA*.]

CAPITE CENSI. [*CAPUT*.]

CAPITIS DEMINUTIO. [*CAPUT*.]

CAPITOLIUM. 1. A small temple, supposed to have been built by Numa, and dedicated to Jupiter, Juno, and Minerva, situated on the Esquiline. It was a small and humble structure suited to the simplicity of the age in which it was erected, and was not termed Capitolium until after the foundation of the one mentioned below, from which it was then distinguished as the *capitolium vetus*.

2. The temple of Jupiter Optimus Maximus on the Mons Tarpeius, so called from a human head being discovered in digging

the foundations; whence the hill also was called Mons Capitolinus. Tarquinius Priscus first vowed, during the Sabine war, to build this temple, and commenced the foundations. It was afterwards continued by Servius Tullius, and finally completed by Tarquinius Superbus out of the spoils collected at the capture of Suessa Pometia; but was not dedicated until the year B. C. 507, by M. Horatius. It was burnt down during the civil wars, at the time of Sulla, (B. C. 83,) and rebuilt by him, but dedicated by Lutatius Catulus, B. C. 69. It was again burnt to the ground by the faction of Vitellius, (A. D. 69,) and rebuilt by Vespasian, upon whose death it was again destroyed by fire, and sumptuously rebuilt, for the third time, by Domitian.

The capitolium contained three temples within the same peristyle, or three cells parallel to each other, the partition walls of which were common, and all under the same roof. In the centre was the seat of Jupiter Optimus Maximus, called *cella Jovis*. That of Minerva was on the right, and that of Juno upon the left. The representation of the capitolium in the cut is taken from a medal.



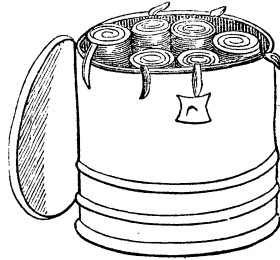
Capitoline Temple.

3. Capitolium is sometimes put for the whole Capitoline mount, including both summits of the mountain. Sometimes it is used to designate one only of the summits, and that one apparently distinct from the arx, which obscurity is further increased, because, on the other hand, *arx* is sometimes put for the whole mount, and at others for one of the summits only.

There were three approaches from the Forum to the Mons Capitolinus. The first was by a flight of 100 steps, which led directly to the side of the Tarpeian rock. The other two were the *clivus Capitolinus* and *clivus Asyli*, one of which entered on the north, and the other on the south side of the intermonium.

CAPSA, or SCRINIUM, a box for holding books among the Romans. These boxes

were of a cylindrical form. There does not appear to have been any difference between



Capsa.

the *capsa* and *scrinium*, except that the latter word was usually applied to those boxes which held a considerable number of rolls.

The slaves who had the charge of these book-chests were called *capsarii*, and also *custodes scriniorum*; and the slaves who carried in a *capsa* behind their young masters the books, &c., of the sons of respectable Romans, when they went to school, were called by the same name.

CAPSARII, the name of three different classes of slaves. [BALNEUM; CAPSA.]

CAPUT, the head. The term "head" is often used by the Roman writers as equivalent to "person" or "human being." By an easy transition it was used to signify "life:" thus, *capite damnari, plecti*, &c., are equivalent to capital punishment.

Caput is also used to express a man's *status*, or civil condition; and the persons who were registered in the tables of the censor are spoken of as *capita*, sometimes with the addition of the word *civium*, and sometimes not. Thus to be registered in the census was the same thing as *caput habere*: and a slave and a filius familias, in this sense of the word, were said to have no *caput*. The sixth class of Servius Tullius comprised the *proletarii* and the *capite censi*, of whom the latter, having little or no property, were barely rated as so many *head* of citizens.

He who lost or changed his *status* was said to be *capite minutus, deminutus, or capitis minor*.

Capitis minutio or *deminutio* was a change of a person's *status* or civil condition, and consisted of three kinds. A Roman citizen possessed freedom (*libertas*), citizenship (*civitas*), and family (*familias*): the loss of all three constituted the *maxima capitis deminutio*. This *capitis deminutio* was sustained by those

who refused to be registered at the census, or neglected the registration, and were thence called *incensi*. The *incensus* was liable to be sold, and so to lose his liberty. Those who refused to perform military service might also be sold.

The loss of citizenship and family only, as when a man was interdicted from fire and water, was the *media capitis deminutio*. [EX-SILIUM.]

The change of family by adoption, and by the in manum conventio, was the *minima capitis deminutio*.

A *judicium capitale*, or *poena capitalis*, was one which affected a citizen's caput.

CAPUT. [FENUS.]

CARACALLA, an outer garment used in Gaul, and not unlike the Roman *lacerna*. It was first introduced at Rome by the emperor Aurelius Antoninus Bassianus, who compelled all the people that came to court to wear it, whence he obtained the surname of Caracalla. This garment, as worn in Gaul, does not appear to have reached lower than the knee, but Caracalla lengthened it so as to reach the ankle.

CARCER (*kerker*, Germ.; γοργύρα, Greek), a prison, is connected with ἔρκος and εἶργω, the guttural being interchanged with the aspirate.

1. GREEK. Imprisonment was seldom used amongst the Greeks as a legal punishment for offences; they preferred banishment to the expense of keeping prisoners in confinement. The prisons in different countries were called by different names: thus there was the *Ceadas* (Κεάδας), at Sparta; and, among the Ionians, the *Gorgyra* (γοργύρα,) as at Samos. The prison at Athens was in former times called *Desmoterion* (δεσμοτήριον), and afterwards, by a sort of euphemism, *οἰκηνα*. It was chiefly used as a guardhouse, or place of execution, and was under the charge of the public officers called the Eleven.

2. ROMAN. A prison was first built at Rome by Ancus Martius, overhanging the forum. This was enlarged by Servius Tullius, who added to it a souterrain, or dungeon, called from him the *Tullianum*. Sallust describes this as being twelve feet under ground, walled on each side, and arched over with stone work. For a long time this was the only prison at Rome, being, in fact, the "Tower," or state prison of the city, which was sometimes doubly guarded in times of alarm, and was the chief object of attack in many conspiracies. There were, however, other prisons besides this, though, as we might expect, the words of Roman historians generally re-

fer to this alone. In the *Tullianum* prisoners were generally executed, and this part of the prison was also called *robur*.

CA'RCERES. [CIRCUS.]

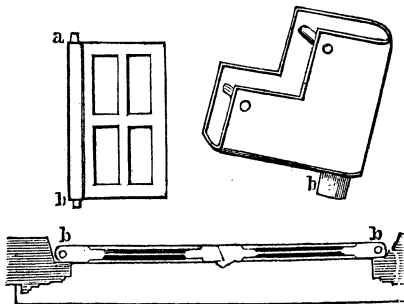
CARCHE'SIUM (καρχήσιον), a beaker or drinking-cup, which was used by the Greeks in very early times. The same term



Carchesium.

was used to designate the tops of a ship, that is, the structure surrounding the mast immediately above the yard [ANTENNA], into which the mariners ascended in order to manage the sail. This was probably called *carchesium* on account of its resemblance in form to the cup of that name. The *ceruchi*, or other tackle, may have been fastened to its lateral projections, which corresponded to the handles of the cup.

CARDO, a hinge or pivot. The first figure, in the annexed woodcut, is designed to show the general form of a door, as we find

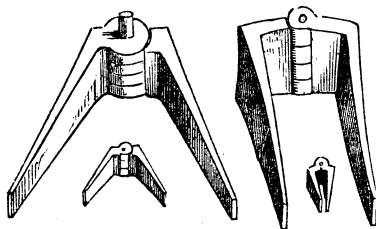


Hinge.

it with a pivot at the top and bottom (*a*, *b*) in ancient remains of stone, marble, wood, and

bronze. The second figure represents a bronze hinge in the Egyptian collection of the British Museum: its pivot (*b*) is exactly cylindrical. Under these is drawn the threshold of a temple, or other large edifice, with the plan of the folding-doors. The pivots move in holes fitted to receive them (*b, b*), each of which is in an angle behind the antepagmentum.

The Greeks and Romans also used hinges exactly like those now in common use. Four Roman hinges of bronze, preserved in the British Museum, are shown in the following woodcut.



Roman Hinges.

CARMENTA'LIA, a festival celebrated in honour of Carmenta or Carmentis, who is fabled to have been the mother of Evander, who came from Pallantium in Arcadia, and settled in Latium: he was said to have brought with him a knowledge of the arts, and the Latin alphabetical characters as distinguished from the Etruscan. This festival was celebrated annually on the 11th of January. A temple was erected to the same goddess, at the foot of the Capitoline hill, near the Porta Carmentalis, afterwards called Scelerata. The name Carmenta is said to have been given to her from her prophetic character, *carmens* or *carmentis* being synonymous with vates. The word is, of course, connected with *car-men*, as prophecies were generally delivered in verse.

CARNEIA (*καρνεῖα*), a great national festival celebrated by the Spartans in honour of Apollo Carneios. The festival began on the seventh day of the month of Carneios=*Me-tageitnion* of the Athenians, and lasted for nine days. It was of a warlike character, similar to the Attic *Boëdromia*. During the time of its celebration nine tents were pitched near the city, in each of which nine men lived in the manner of a military camp, obeying in everything the commands of a herald. The priest conducting the sacrifices at the Carneia was called *Agetes* (*Ἀγητής*), whence

the festival was sometimes designated by the name *Agetoria* or *Agetoreion* (*Ἀγητόρια* or *Ἀγητόρειον*), and from each of the Spartan tribes five men (*Καρπεύται*) were chosen as his ministers, whose office lasted four years, during which period they were not allowed to marry. When we read in Herodotus and Thucydides that the Spartans during the celebration of this festival were not allowed to take the field against an enemy, we must remember that this restriction was not peculiar to the Carneia, but common to all the great festivals of the Greeks: traces of it are found even in Homer.

CAR'NIFEX, the public executioner at Rome, who executed slaves and foreigners, but not citizens, who were punished in a manner different from slaves. It was also his business to administer the torture. This office was considered so disgraceful, that he was not allowed to reside within the city, but lived without the Porta Metia or Esquilina, near the place destined for the punishment of slaves, called *Sestertium* under the emperors.

CARPENTUM, a cart; also a two-wheeled carriage enclosed, and with an arched or sloping cover overhead. The *carpentum* was used to convey the Roman matrons in the public festal processions; and, as this was a high distinction, the privilege of riding in a *carpentum* on such occasions was allowed to particular females by special grant of the senate.



Carpentum.

This carriage contained seats for two, and sometimes for three persons, besides the coachman. It was commonly drawn by a pair of mules, but more rarely by oxen or horses, and sometimes by four horses like a quadriga.

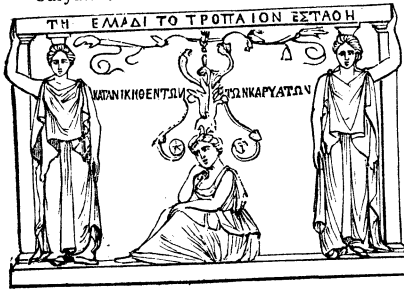
Carpenta, or covered carts, were much used by the Britons, the Gauls, and other northern nations. These, together with the carts of

the more common form, including baggage-waggons, appear to have been comprehended under the term *carri*, or *carra*, which is the Celtic name with a Latin termination. The Gauls took a great multitude of them on their military expeditions, and when they were encamped, arranged them in close order, so as to form extensive lines of circumvallation.

CARRU'CA, a carriage, the name of which only occurs under the emperors. It appears to have been a species of rheda [*RHEDA*], had four wheels, and was used in travelling.

CARRUS. [*CARPENTUM*.]

CARYATIDES. Caryae was a city in Arcadia, near the Laconian border, the inhabitants of which joined the Persians after the battle of Thermopylae. On the defeat of the Persians the allied Greeks destroyed the town, slew the men, and led the women into captivity; and Praxiteles and other Athenian artists employed female figures, representing *Caryatidae*, or women of Caryae, instead of columns in architecture. This account is illustrated by a bas-relief with a Greek inscription, mentioning the conquest of the Caryatae.



Caryatides.

CASSIS. [*GALEA*.]

CASTELLUM AQUAE. [*AQUAE DUCTUS*.]

CASTRA, a camp. The system of encampment among the Romans was one of singular regularity and order, and has been clearly described by Polybius, the friend and companion of Scipio Africanus, the younger. From his description the annexed plan has been drawn up.

A, praetorium.—B, tents of the tribunes.—C, tents of the praefecti sociorum.—D, street 100 feet wide.—E, F, G, and H, streets 50 feet wide.—L, select foot and volunteers.—K, select horse and volunteers.—M, extraordinary horse of the allies.—N, extraordinary foot of the allies.—O, reserved for occasional auxi-

aries.—Q, the street called Quintana, 50 feet wide.—V. P, via principalis, 100 feet wide.

The duty of selecting a proper situation for the camp (*castra metari*) devolved upon one of the tribunes and a number of centurions who were specially appointed for that purpose, and sent in advance whenever the army was about to encamp; they were called *Metatores*, from their office. The camp was divided into two parts, the upper and the lower. The upper part formed about a third of the whole. In it was the *praetorium* (A) or general's tent—praetor being the old name of the consul. A part of the praetorium was called the *Augurale*, as the auguries were there taken by the general. On the right and left of the praetorium were the *forum* and *quaestorium*; the former a sort of market-place, the latter appropriated to the quaestor and the camp stores under his superintendence.

On the sides of and facing the forum and quaestorium, were stationed select bodies of horse (K) taken from the extraordinaries, with mounted volunteers, who served out of respect to the consul, and were stationed near him. And parallel to these were posted similar bodies of foot soldiers (L). Before the quaestorium and the forum were the tents of the twelve tribunes of the two legions (B), and before the select bodies of horse and infantry the tents of the praefecti sociorum were probably placed (C). Again, behind the praetorium, the quaestorium, and the forum, ran a street or *via* (D), 100 feet broad, from one side of the camp to the other. Along the upper side of this street was ranged the main body of the "extraordinary" horse (M): they were separated into two equal parts by a street fifty feet broad (E). At the back of this body of cavalry was posted a similar body of infantry (N), selected from the allies, and facing the opposite way, *i. e.* towards the ramparts of the camp. The vacant spaces (O) on each side of these troops were reserved for foreigners and occasional auxiliaries.

The lower part of the camp was divided from the upper by a street, called the *Via Principalis* (V P), or *Principia*, a hundred feet broad. Here the tribunal of the general was erected, from which he harangued the soldiers, and here the tribunes administered justice. Here also the principal standards, the altars of the gods, and the images of the emperors were placed. The lower part of the camp was occupied by the two legions and the troops of the allies according to the arrangement of the following cut.

Between the ramparts and the tents was left a vacant space of 200 feet on every side, which was useful for many purposes: thus it

served for the reception of any booty that was taken, and facilitated the entrance and exit of the army.

The camp had four gates, one at the top and bottom, and one at each of the sides; the top or back-gate, which was the side most away from the enemy, was called the *decumana*. The bottom or the front gate was the *praetoria*, the gates of the sides were the *porta principalis dextra*, and the *porta principalis sinistra*. The whole camp was surrounded by a trench (*fossa*), generally nine feet deep and twelve broad, and a rampart (*vallum*) made of the earth that was thrown up (*agger*), with stakes (*valli*) fixed at the top of it. The labour of this work was so divided, that the allies com-

pleted the two sides of the camp alongside of which they were stationed, and the two Roman legions the rest.

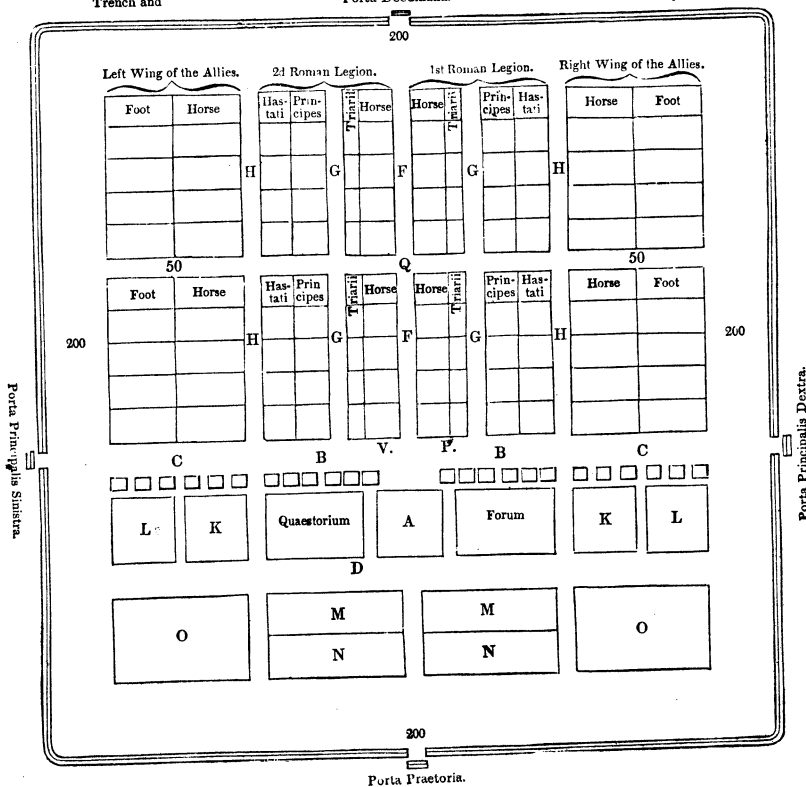
In describing the Roman camp and its internal arrangements, we have confined ourselves to the information given by Polybius, which, of course, applies only to his age, and to armies constituted like those he witnessed. When the practice of drawing up the army according to cohorts, ascribed to Marius or Caesar [EXERCITUS], had superseded the ancient division into maniples, and the distinction of triarii, &c. the internal arrangements of the camp must have been changed accordingly.

A certain number of troops was appointed

Trench and

Porta Decumana.

Ramparts.



to keep guard before the gates of the camp, on the ramparts, and in different parts of the camp; and these guards were changed every three hours. The guards placed before the gates of the camp were called *stationes*. The word *excubiae* denotes guards either by day or night; *vigiliae* by night only. The night was divided into four watches, each of three hours' length. Certain persons were appointed every night to visit all the watches, and were hence called *circitores*. There was always a watchword given for the night, inscribed on a four-cornered piece of wood, and hence called *tessera*, which was circulated through the army.

CATALOGUS (*κατάλογος*), the catalogue of those persons in Athens who were liable to regular military service. At Athens, those persons alone who possessed a certain amount of property were allowed to serve in the regular infantry, whilst the lower class, the *thetes*, had not this privilege. [CENSUS.] Thus the former are called *οἱ ἐκ καταλόγου στρατεύοντες*, and the latter *οἱ ἔξω τοῦ καταλόγου*.

CATAPHRACTA. [LORICA.]

CATAPHRACTI (*κατάφρακτοι*). 1. Heavy-armed cavalry, the horses of which were also covered with defensive armour. Among many of the Eastern nations, who placed their chief dependence upon their cavalry, we find horses protected in this manner; but among the Romans we do not read of any troops of this description till the later times of the empire, when the discipline of the legions was destroyed, and the chief dependence began to be placed on the cavalry.

This species of troops was common among the Persians from the earliest times, from whom it was adopted by their Macedonian conquerors. They were called by the Persians *clibanarii*.

2. Decked vessels, in opposition to *Aphracti*. [APHRACTUS.]

CATAPULTA. [TORMENTUM.]

CATARACTA (*καταρράκτης*), a portcullis, so called because it fell with great force and a loud noise. It was an additional defence, suspended by iron rings and ropes, before the gates of a city, in such a manner that, when the enemy had come up to the gates, the portcullis might be let down so as to shut them in, and to enable the besieged to assail them from above.

CATEIA, a missile used in war by the Germans, Gauls, and some of the Italian nations, supposed to resemble the *ACLIS*.

CATERVARI. [GLADIATORES.]

CATHEDRA, a seat or chair, was more particularly applied to a soft seat used by women, whereas *sella* signified a seat common to both sexes. The *cathedrae* were, no doubt,

of various forms and sizes; but they usually appear to have had backs to them. On the *cathedra* in the annexed cut, is seated a bride, who is being fanned by a female slave with a fan made of peacock's feathers.



Cathedra.

Women were also accustomed to be carried abroad in these *cathedrae* instead of in *lecticae*, which practice was sometimes adopted by effeminate persons of the other sex. The word *cathedra* was also applied to the chair or pulpit from which lectures were read.

CAVAE'DIUM. [DOMUS.]

CAVALRY. [EXERCITUS; EQUITES.]

CAVEA. [THEATRUM.]

CAUPONA. 1. An inn, where travellers obtained food and lodging; in which sense it answered to the Greek words *πανδοκειον*, *καταγωγιον*, and *κατάλυσσις*. Inns for the accommodation of persons of all classes existed among the Greeks and Romans, although they were not equal either in size or convenience to similar places in modern times.

An inn was also called *taberna* and *taberna diversoria*, or simply *diversorium* or *deversorium*.

2. A shop, where wine and ready-dressed meat were sold, thus corresponding to the Greek *καπηλειον*. The person who kept a *caupona* was called *caupo*. In Greek *κάπηλος* signifies in general a retail trader, who sold goods in small quantities; but the word is more particularly applied to a person who sold ready-dressed provisions, and especially

wine in small quantities. In these *καπηλεία* only persons of the very lowest class were accustomed to eat and drink.

In Rome itself there were, no doubt, inns to accommodate strangers; but these were probably only frequented by the lower classes, since all persons in respectable society could easily find accommodation in the houses of their friends. There were, however in all parts of the city, numerous houses where wine and ready-dressed provisions were sold. The houses where persons were allowed to eat and drink were usually called *popinae* and not *cauponae*; and the keepers of them, *popae*. They were principally frequented by slaves and the lower classes, and were consequently only furnished with stools to sit upon instead of couches. The *Thermopolia*, where the *calida* or warm wine and water was sold, appear to have been the same as the *popinae*. Many of these *popinae* were little better than the *lupanaria* or brothels; whence Horace calls them *immundas popinas*. The *ganee*, which are sometimes mentioned in connection with the *popinae* were brothels, whence they are often classed with the *lustra*. Under the emperors many attempts were made to regulate the *popinae*, but apparently with little success.

All persons who kept inns or houses of public entertainment of any kind were held in low estimation among both the Greeks and Romans. They appear to have fully deserved the bad reputation which they possessed, for they were accustomed to cheat their customers by false weights and measures, and by all the means in their power.

CAU'SIA (*κασία*), a hat with a broad brim, which was made of felt, and worn by the Macedonian kings. Its form is seen in the annexed figures, which are taken from a fictile vase, and from a medal of Alexander I. of Macedon. The Romans adopted it from the Macedonians.



Causia, Hat.

CAUTIO, CAVE'RE. These words are of frequent occurrence, and have a great vari-

ety of significations, according to the matter to which they refer. Their general signification is that of security given by one person to another, or security which one person obtains by the advice or assistance of another. The *cautio* was most frequently a writing, which expressed the object of the parties to it; accordingly the word *cautio* came to signify both the instrument (*chirographum* or *instrumentum*) and the object which it was the purpose of the instrument to secure. Cicero uses the expression *cautio chirographi mei*. The phrase *cavere aliquid alicui* expressed the fact of one person giving security to another as to some particular thing or act.

The word *cautio* was also applied to the release which a debtor obtained from his creditor on satisfying his demand; in this sense *cautio* is equivalent to a modern receipt; it is the debtor's security against the same demand being made a second time. Thus *cavere ab aliquo* signifies to obtain this kind of security.

Cavere is also applied to express the professional advice and assistance of a lawyer to his client for his conduct in any legal matter.

Cavere and its derivatives are also used to express the provisions of a law, by which any thing is forbidden or ordered, as in the phrase, *Cautum est lege*, &c. It is also used to express the words in a will, by which a testator declares his wish that certain things should be done after his death.

CE'ADAS or CAE'ADAS (*καάδας* or *καείδας*), a deep cavern or chasm, like the *Barathron* at Athens, into which the Spartans were accustomed to thrust persons condemned to death.

CEILINGS OF HOUSES. [DOMUS.]

CE'LERES, were three hundred Roman knights whom Romulus established as a body-guard. Their number, 300, has reference to the number of the patrician gentes. They were under the command of the *Tribunus Celerum*. See *TRIBUNUS*.

CENOTA'PHIUM, a cenotaph (*κενός* and *τάφος*), was an empty or honorary tomb, erected as a memorial of a person whose body was buried elsewhere, or not found for burial at all.

CENSOR. [ACERRA.]

CENSOR (*τμιστής*). The office of censor was instituted at Rome in B. C. 443, its functions having previous to that year been performed by the kings, consuls, or military tribunes with consular power. The ostensible reason for instituting the office in B. C. 443 was, that the consuls were too much occupied by war and other matters to conduct the

census; but this was not the real reason. The office of the military tribunes with consular power, who supplied the place of the consuls, had been instituted the year before, and was open to the plebeians as well as the patricians; and since the latter were anxious to curtail, as much as possible, the power which had been given to the plebeians, they entrusted the discharge of the censorial functions to two new magistrates, two censors, who were to be exclusively patricians. For a considerable period this dignity was held by patricians only, and the first plebeian censor was C. Marcus Rutilus, in B. C. 351. It now became a rule that one of the censors should always be a plebeian. In later times, when the distinction between patricians and plebeians ceased to be of importance, it even happened occasionally that both censors were plebeians, the first instance of which occurred in B. C. 131, when Q. Caecilius Metellus and Q. Pompeius Rufus were censors. Censors continued to be elected down to the end of the republic, until Augustus, under the title of *Praefectus Morum*, undertook himself the functions of the censors, although occasionally he transferred some of them to other persons. Tiberius and Caligula likewise took the title of *Praefectus Morum*; but Claudius assumed that of censor, and made Vitellius his colleague, A. D. 48. Vespasian, Titus, and Nerva followed his example, and Domitian even assumed the title of Censor Perpetuus. Trajan and the later emperors only took it for the time that they were actually engaged in holding the census. The emperor Decius made an attempt to restore the censorship, and at his command the senate elected Valerianus censor; but the example was not followed, and we afterwards hear no more of censors.

The office of censor lasted at first for a *lustrum*, that is, five years; but in B. C. 335 the dictator L. Aemilius Mamercinus carried a law (*lex Aemilia*), which limited the period of office to eighteen months, so that during the remaining three years and a half of each *lustrum* no censors existed at all, for censors continued to be elected only every five years. The censorship was considered the highest dignity in the republic, partly on account of its connection with religion, and partly on account of the great importance of its functions; hence it was usually the last in the series of offices through which Roman statesmen passed, most men having been consuls before they aspired to the censorship. For the same reason it was not customary for any one to hold the office more than once. If one of the two censors died during the pe-

riod of his office, the vacancy was not filled up, as the death of a censor was regarded as an evil omen; but the survivor was obliged to resign the censorship, and two new censors were elected.

The censors were elected by the comitia of the centuries and not of the curiae, and the same comitia centuriata at a second meeting ratified the election. The curiae had nothing to do with the election, because the censors had no *imperium*, which no assembly but that of the curiae could have given them; the censors had only the *jus censendi*, of which all their other rights were merely the necessary results. It is not known whether the censors had any outward distinctions in their dress, for the purple robes mentioned by Polybius were probably worn by them only in the earliest times, and afterwards we hear simply of the *toga praetexta*. Nor is there any ground for supposing that the censors had lictors as their attendants, like the consuls; but their numerous and extensive functions, which had to be performed in the short period of 18 months, required a great number of other attendants, such as scribes and viatores.

The principal and original function of the censors, from which they received their title, was that of holding the census, at which every one had to give in his name, and to declare on oath the amount of his property. [Census.] A second part of their functions consisted in a kind of moral jurisdiction, for they had the right of censuring and punishing every thing that was contrary to good conduct or established customs, while really illegal acts or crimes were punished by the ordinary courts of justice. This moral jurisdiction appears to have formed part of the censorial functions from the very first, inasmuch as it was their duty to observe, in holding the census, all cases in which a man managed his affairs badly, and thus reduced his property; and they had consequently to remove him from a higher, and place him in a lower class of citizens. In the course of time this superintendence of the conduct of Roman citizens extended so far, that it embraced the whole of the public and private life of the citizens. Thus we have instances of their censuring or punishing persons for not marrying, for breaking a promise of marriage, for divorce, for bad conduct during marriage, for improper education of children, for living in an extravagant and luxurious manner, and for many other irregularities in private life. Their influence was still more powerful in matters connected with the public life of the citizens. Thus we find them censuring or punishing magistrates

who were forgetful of the dignity of their office or guilty of bribery, as well as persons who were guilty of improper conduct towards magistrates, of perjury, and of neglect of their duties both in civil and military life.

The punishment inflicted by a censor differed from that imposed by a court of law, inasmuch as a censor could not deprive a person either of his life or of his property, but could only affect his status in society: the proper name for such a punishment is in general *nota* or *nota censoria*, and in particular *ignominia* or *infamia*. Such a punishment, moreover, did not necessarily last a man's whole life; but if his conduct improved, another censor might restore him to the position from which his predecessor had removed him. The greatest and severest punishment was the expulsion of unworthy members from the senate; and according as the conduct of a senator might be more or less culpable, the censors had even the right of degrading him to the condition of an *equus* or of an *aerarius*. They had to inform the culprit of the cause of his degradation, and to mark it in the censorial lists; hence the *nota censoria*. An *equus* might be punished by the censors by being obliged to give up his public horse, and this punishment might be accompanied by his being compelled to serve in the army on foot, or by his being excluded from his tribe (*tribu movere*). The act of removing the person from his tribe was originally the same as degrading him to the rank of an *aerarian*; but afterwards, when there existed a difference of rank among the tribes, a person might either be transferred from a *tribus rustica* (which ranked higher) to a *tribus urbana*, or he might be excluded from all the tribes, and thus lose all the rights and privileges connected with them, that is, the right of holding a magistracy and of voting in the assembly. When a person thought that the punishment inflicted by the censors was undeserved, he might try to justify himself before the censor (*causam agere apud censores*); and if he did not succeed, he might endeavour to gain over one of the censors, for no punishment could be inflicted unless both censors agreed. Such cases often gave rise to vehement disputes between the censors. A further appeal was not legal, although it was tried in some instances, especially by inducing the tribunes of the people to interfere.

Another branch of the censorial functions had reference to the finances. As the censors were best acquainted with the property of the citizens, and consequently with the amount of taxes they had to pay to the state, and as they had to fix the tributum, they were the fittest magistrates to manage the finances,

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which were under the supreme control of the senate, so that the censors were in fact the ministers of finance to the senate. Every thing which belonged to the state, and from which it derived revenues, was let out to farm by the censors; among them we may mention the *ager publicus*, *ager vectigalis*, mines, tolls, salt-works, &c. They further had the superintendence of all public buildings; and when new ones were to be erected, they gave them in contract (*locabant*) to the lowest bidder, and afterwards they had to see that the contractor had fulfilled his obligations, and done his work in the proper way. In like manner they gave in contract every thing else that had to be paid out of the state treasury, even down to the maintenance of the capitoline geese and the painting of the statues of the gods. The senate always informed them of the sums they might lay out, and the actual payment was not made by the censors, but by the *quaestors* or *paymasters*.

When the business of the censors was over, they celebrated the *lustrum* or general purification [*LUSTRUM*], and brought the censorial lists, and all other documents connected with their functions, into the *aerarium*, whence they were carried into the temple of the Nymphs, where they were deposited and kept for ever.

CENSUS, a register or valuation of persons and property.

1. The census at Athens seems to date from the constitution of Solon. This legislator made four classes (*τιμήματα, τέλη*). 1. *Pentacosiomedimni* (*πεντακοσιμέδωννοι*), or those who received 500 measures, dry or liquid, from their lands. 2. *Knights* (*ἱππείς*), who had an income of 300 measures, and formed the Athenian cavalry. 3. *Zeugitae* (*zeugitai*), whose income was 150 measures, and who were so called from their being able to keep a team (*zeugos*) of oxen. 4. *Thetes* (*θῆτες*), whose property was under 150 measures. The word *thetes* properly means a hired labourer, and this class corresponds to that of the *capite censi* at Rome. In order to settle in what class a man should be entered on the register (*ἀπογραφῇ*), he returned a valuation of his property, subject, perhaps, to the check of a counter-valuation (*ὑποτίμησις*). The valuation was made very frequently; in some states every year; in others, every two or four years. The censors who kept the register at Athens, were probably at first the *naucrari*, but afterwards the *demarchs* performed the office of censor. In B.C. 378 a new valuation of property took place, and classes (*συμμορίαί*) were introduced expressly for the property-tax (*εὐφορά*). The nature of these classes is involved in considerable obscurity. Thus much, however may

be stated, that they consisted of 1200 individuals, 120 from each of the ten tribes, who, by way of a sort of liturgy, advanced the money for others liable to the tax, and got it from them by the ordinary legal processes. In a similar manner classes were subsequently formed for the discharge of another and more serious liturgy, the trierarchy; and the strategæ, who nominated the trierarchs, had also to form the symmoriae for the property-taxes. When the constitution essentially depended on the distribution of the citizens according to property, it was called by the Greeks a *timocracy*, or aristocracy of property (*τιμοκρατία, ἀπὸ τιμημάτων πολιτεία*).

2. The census at Rome was instituted by Servius Tullius, the fifth king of Rome: in his constitution the political rights and duties of the citizens were regulated according to the amount of property they possessed, and accordingly the census was a necessary consequence of that constitution. It was further necessary to repeat the census from time to time, as the property of the citizens, of course, fluctuated at different times and under different circumstances: hence it was the rule at Rome that the census should be held every five years.

The census was held by Servius Tullius, and for some time afterwards, in the Campus Martius, but subsequently in a public building, the *villa publica*, which was erected in the Campus Martius. Before the business commenced, the auspices were consulted, as on all other public occasions, and all the citizens were summoned by a herald (*præco*) to appear before the censors at the appointed time: on the day of meeting the citizens were called upon, in the order of their tribes, to make their returns. It seems, however, to have been customary to call up first those whose names had a favourable meaning, such as Valerius, Salvius, &c. Every one gave his full name (*nomen, prænomen, and cognomen*), the tribe to which he belonged, the names of his father, wife, and children, and a statement of his own age. Freedmen had to give the same account, except that instead of their father, they had to state the name of their patron. Widows and children under age, being under a guardian (*tutor*), were represented by him, and entered by the censors in separate lists. The *aerarii*, *caerites*, and *municipes*, residing at Rome, were likewise entered in separate lists. When these lists were drawn up, every one had to make on oath a return (*profliteri, censere, or censi*) of his property. It must be observed, however, that as it was the names of Roman citizens alone that could be included in the census, so likewise real Roman property, prin-

cipally land (*quiritarian property, dominium*), was alone registered. Whether a man's capital or debts were taken into account is uncertain. The portions which persons occupied of the *ager publicus* were not assessed, as they were not quiritarian property; but in the times of the empire, when the whole system of taxation was based on different principles, public lands seem to have been assessed. Every person stated the amount of his real property, but the censors might nevertheless rate him higher, if they thought proper; and those who absented themselves for the purpose of avoiding the census, and without appointing anybody to act as proxy, were severely punished. The soldiers who were absent from Rome had to make their returns to special commissioners appointed by the censors. When the lists of persons and of their property were completed, the censors proceeded to divide the whole body of citizens into senators, equites, &c., as well as into classes and centuries, and assigned to every citizen his proper place, his rights as well as his duties in the republic, for which purpose Servius Tullius had divided all Roman citizens into six classes and 193 centuries. If a person's property had become altered since the last census, or if his conduct required it, the censors assigned him a different position in the social scale from that which he held before. Some were thus degraded, while others were raised. The results of these proceedings were then made known, and we have numerous instances in Livy, in which not only the sum total of Roman citizens are recorded, but likewise of all persons, including women and children (*capite*). When the whole business of the census was over, one of the censors was ordered to celebrate the *lustrum* [Lustrum], and before he did so, he delivered an address to the people, either to the whole body or to particular individuals, by way of admonition, advice, and the like.

In the Roman municipia, as well as in the colonies, the census was held independently of the one at Rome, but the lists containing the returns were sent to Rome, where they were deposited in the archives. When all the inhabitants of Italy received the franchise, the local census appears to have continued, although many persons went to the capital to have their property registered there. In the provinces the census was conducted by censors who were either elected in the provinces themselves, or were sent thither from Rome. In the time of the empire, the same system of conducting the census in the provinces was continued, but it was carried out with greater strictness and on a more extensive scale, for which purpose the number of

inferior officers and clerks was considerably increased.

CENTUMVIRI were judges, who resembled other judges in this respect, that they decided cases under the authority of a magistratus; but they differed from other judges in being a definite body or collegium. This collegium seems to have been divided into four parts, each of which sometimes sat by itself. The origin of the court is unknown. According to an ancient writer, three were chosen out of each tribe, and consequently the whole number out of the 35 tribes would be 105, who, in round numbers, were called the hundred men. If the centumviri were chosen from the tribes, this seems a strong presumption in favour of the high antiquity of the court.

It was the practice to set up a spear in the place where the centumviri were sitting, and accordingly the word *hasta*, or *hasta circumvialis*, is sometimes used as equivalent to the words *judicium centumvirale*. The praetor presided in this court.

The jurisdiction of the centumviri was chiefly confined to civil matters, but it appears that crimina sometimes came under their cognizance.

The younger Pliny, who practised in this court, makes frequent allusions to it in his letters.

CENTURIA. [CENTURIO; COMITIA.]

CENTURIO, the commander of a *centuria* or company of infantry, varying in number with the legion.

The century was a military division, corresponding to the civil one *curia*; the *centurio* of the one answered to the *curio* of the other. From analogy we are led to conclude that the century originally consisted of thirty men. In later times the legion was composed of thirty maniples, or sixty centuries. As its strength varied from about three to six thousand, the numbers of a century would vary in proportion from about fifty to a hundred.

The duties of the centurion were chiefly confined to the regulation of his own corps, and the care of the watch. The *vitis* was the badge of office with which the centurion punished his men. The short tunic was another mark of distinction. The following cut represents a centurio with the *vitis* in one of his hands. The centurions were usually elected by the military tribunes, subject probably to the confirmation of the consul. In every maniple there were two centuries, distinguished by the title of *prior* and *posterior*, because the former ranked above the latter. The centurion of the first century of



Centurio.

the first maniple of the triarii was called *primus pilus*, *prinipilus*, *primi pili centurio*, *princeps centurionum*, and was the first in rank among the centurions. The centurion of the second century of the first maniple of the triarii was called *primipilus posterior*. In like manner the two centurions of the second maniple of the triarii were called *prior centurio* and *posterior centurio alterius pili*, and so on to the tenth, who were called *prior centurio* and *posterior centurio decimi pili*. In the same manner we have *primus princeps*, *primus hastatus*, &c. The *primipilus* was entrusted with the care of the eagle, and had the right of attending the councils of the general.

The *optiones*, *uragi* or *sucenturiones*, were the lieutenants of the centurions, and their deputies during illness or absence; they were elected by the centurions.

The pay of the centurion was double that of an ordinary soldier. In the time of Polybius the latter was about ten denarii, or 7s. 1d. per month, besides food and clothing. Under Domitian we find it increased above tenfold.

CEREA LIA, a festival celebrated at Rome in honour of Ceres, whose wanderings in search of her lost daughter Proserpine were represented by women, clothed in white, running about with lighted torches. During its continuance, games were celebrated in the Circus Maximus, the spectators of which appeared in white; but on any occasion of public mourning the games and festivals were not celebrated at all, as the matrons could not appear at them except in white. The day of the Cerealia is doubtful; some think

it was the ides or 13th of April, others the 7th of the same month.

CERO'MA (*κίραμα*), the oil mixed with wax (*κηρός*) with which wrestlers were anointed; also the place where they were anointed, and, in later times, the place where they wrestled.

CERU'CHI. [ANTENNA.]

CESTUS. 1. The thongs or bands of leather, which were tied round the hands of boxers, in order to render their blows more powerful (*μύαντες*, or *μύαντες πυκτικοί*). The cestus was used by boxers in the earliest times, and is mentioned in the *Iliad*; but in the heroic times it consisted merely of thongs of leather, and differed from the cestus used in later times in the public games, which was a most formidable weapon, being frequently covered with knots and nails, and loaded with lead and iron.



Cestus.

2. A band or tie of any kind, but more particularly the zone or girdle of Venus, on which was represented everything that could awaken love.

CETRA, or CAETRA, a target, *i. e.* a small round shield, made of the hide of a quadruped. It formed part of the defensive armour of the Osci, and of the people of Spain, Mauritania, and Britain, and seems to have been much the same as the target of the Scotch Highlanders. The Romans do not appear to have used the cetra; but we find mention of *cetratae cohortes* levied in the provinces. Livy compares it to the *pelta* of the Greeks and Macedonians, which was also a small light shield.

CHALCIOE'CIA (*Χαλκιοίκια*), an annual festival, with sacrifices, held at Sparta in honour of Minerva, surnamed *Chalcioecus* (*Χαλκιοίκος*), *i. e.* the goddess of the brazen-house. Young men marched on the occasion in full armour to the temple of the goddess; and the ephors, although not entering the temple, but remaining within its sacred precincts, were obliged to take part in the sacrifice.

CHARIOT. [CURRUS.]

CHARIST'IA (from *χαρίζομαι*, to grant a favour or pardon), a solemn feast among the Romans, to which none but relations and members of the same family were invited, in order that any quarrel or disagreement which had arisen amongst them might be made up. The day of celebration was the 19th of February.

CHEIROTON'IA (*χειροτονία*). In the Athenian assemblies two modes of voting were practised, the one by pebbles (*ψηφίζεσθαι*), the other by a show of hands (*χειροτονεῖν*). The latter was employed in the election of those magistrates who were chosen in the public assemblies, and who were hence called *χειροτονητοί*, in voting upon laws, and in some kinds of trials on matters which concerned the people. We frequently find, however, the word *ψηφίζεσθαι* used where the votes were really given by show of hands.

The manner of voting by a show of hands was as follows:—The herald said: "Whoever thinks that Meidias is guilty, let him lift up his hand." Then those who thought so stretched forth their hands. Then the herald said again: "Whoever thinks that Meidias is not guilty, let him lift up his hand;" and those who were of this opinion stretched forth their hands. The number of hands was counted each time by the herald; and the president, upon the herald's report, declared on which side the majority voted.

It is important to understand clearly the compounds of this word. A vote condemning an accused person is *καταχειροτονία*: one acquitting him, *ἀποχειροτονία*; *ἐπιχειροτονεῖν* is to confirm by a majority of votes: *ἐπιχειροτονία τῶν νομῶν* was a revision of the laws, which took place at the beginning of every year: *ἐπιχειροτονία τῶν ἀρχῶν* was a vote taken in the first assembly of each prytany on the conduct of the magistrates; in these cases, those who voted for the confirmation of the law, or for the continuance in office of the magistrate, were said *ἐπιχειροτονεῖν*, those on the other side *ἀποχειροτονεῖν*: *διαχειροτονία* is a vote for one of two alternatives: *ἀντιχειροτονεῖν*, to vote against a proposition. The compounds of *ψηφίζεσθαι* have similar meanings.

CHELIDO'NIA (*χελιδόνια*) a custom observed in the island of Rhodes, in the month of Boëdromion, the time when the swallows returned. During that season, boys, called *χελιδονισαί*, went from house to house collecting little gifts, ostensibly for the returning swallows, and singing a song which is still extant. The chelidonia, which have

been sometimes called a festival, seem to have been nothing more than a peculiar mode of begging, which, on the occasion of the return of the swallows, was carried on by boys in the manner stated above. Many analogies may still be observed in various countries at the various seasons of the year.

CHIRAMA'XIUM (*χειραμάξιον*, from *χείρ* and *ἄμαξα*), a sort of easy chair, or go-cart, used for invalids and children. It differed from the *sella gestatoria*, which answers to our sedan-chair, in which the person was carried by his slaves or servants, since it went upon wheels, though moved by men instead of animals.

CHIRODO'TA (*χειριδωτός*, from *χειρίς*, *manica*), a tunic with sleeves. The tunic of the Egyptians, Greeks, and Romans was originally without sleeves, or they only came a little way down the arm. On the other hand, the Asiatic and Celtic nations wore long sleeves sewed to their tunics. Also the Greeks allowed tunics with sleeves to females, although it was considered by the Romans indecorous when they were worn by men. Cicero mentions it as a great reproach to Catiline and his associates, that they wore long tunics with sleeves. The annexed cut represents the figure of a woman, whose sleeves reach to the elbow, and who wears



Chiridota, Tunic with sleeves.

the *capistrum* to assist her in blowing the *tibiae pares*.

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CHIROGRAPHUM (*χειρόγραφον*), meant first, as its derivation implies, a handwriting or autograph. In this its simple sense, *χείρ* in Greek and *manus* in Latin are often substituted for it. From this meaning was easily derived that of a signature to a will or other instrument, especially a note of hand given by a debtor to his creditor.

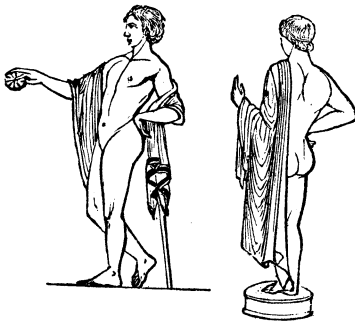
CHITON (*χιτών*). [TUNICA.]

CHLAENA (*χλαῖνα*). [PALLIUM.]

CHLAMYS (*χλαμύς*, *dim.* *χλαμύδιον*), a scarf, denoted an article of the *amictus*, or outer raiment of the Greeks. It was for the most part woollen; and it differed from the *himation* (*ἡμάτιον*), or cloak, the usual *amictus* of the male sex, in being smaller, finer, and oblong instead of square, its length being generally about twice its breadth.

The scarf does not appear to have been much worn by children. It was generally assumed on reaching adolescence, and was worn by the ephebi from about seventeen to twenty years of age, and hence was called *χλαμύς ἐφηβική*. It was also worn by the military, especially of high rank, over their body armour, and by hunters and travellers, more particularly on horseback.

The usual mode of wearing the scarf was to pass one of its shorter sides round the neck, and to fasten it by means of a brooch (*fibula*), either over the breast (cut, p. 17.), in which case it hung down the back, or over the right shoulder, so as to cover the left arm (cut, p. 79.). In the following cut it is worn again in another way.



Chlamys.

Among the Romans the scarf came more into use under the emperors. Caligula wore one enriched with gold. Severus, when he was in the country or on an expedition, wore a scarf dyed with the coccus.

CHOENIX (χοῖνιξ), a Greek measure of capacity, the size of which is differently given; it was probably of different sizes in the several states. Some writers make it equal to three cotylæ (= 1.4866 pints English); others to four cotylæ (= 1.9821 pints English); others again make it eight cotylæ (= 3.9641 pints English).

CHORAGUS (χορηγός), a person who had to bear the expenses of the choragia (χορηγία), one of the regularly recurring state burthens (ἐγκύκλιοι λειτουργίαι) at Athens. Originally [see **CHORUS**] the chorus consisted of all the inhabitants in the state. With the improvement of the arts of music and dancing, the distinction of spectators and performers arose; it became more a matter of art to sing and dance in the chorus; paid performers were employed; and at last the duties of this branch of worship devolved upon one person, selected by the state to be their representative, who defrayed all the expenses which were incurred on the different occasions. This person was the choragus. It was the duty of the managers of a tribe (ἐπιμεληταὶ φυλῆς), to which a choragy had come round, to provide a person to perform the duties of it; and the person appointed by them had to meet the expenses of the chorus in all plays, tragic or comic and satirical; and of the lyric choruses of men and boys, the pyrrhichistæ, cecilian dancers, flute-players, &c. He had first to collect his chorus, and then to procure a teacher (χοροδιδάσκαλος), whom he paid for instructing the choreutæ. The chorus were generally maintained, during the period of their instruction at the expense of the choragus. The choragus who exhibited the best musical or theatrical entertainment received as a prize a tripod, which he had the expense of consecrating, and sometimes he had also to build the monument on which it was placed. There was a whole street at Athens formed by the line of these tripod-temples, and called "The Street of the Tripods."

CHORUS (χορός), a band of singers and dancers, engaged in the public worship of some divinity. This is, however, only the secondary meaning of the Greek word. The word *chorus*, which is connected with *χώρος*, *χώρα*, properly denoted the market-place, where the chorus met.

In the oldest times the chorus consisted of the whole population of the city, who met in the public place to offer up thanksgivings to their country's god, by singing hymns and performing corresponding dances. The hymn, however, was not sung by the chorus, but some poet or musician sang or played the

hymn, and the dancers, who formed the chorus, only allowed their movements to be guided by the poem or the tune. The poet, therefore, was said to "lead off the dance" (ἐξάρχειν μολπῆς). This old *chorus*, or the *chorus proper*, was always accompanied by the *cithara*, the *lyre*, or the *phorminx*, which were different kinds of stringed instruments; when the accompaniment was the *flute*, it was not a chorus, but an *aglaia* (ἀγλαΐα) or a *comus* (κῶμος), a much more riotous affair, which was always rather of the nature of a procession than of a dance, and in which there was often no *exarchus*, but every one joined into the song or cry of joy at his pleasure.

The chorus received its first full development in the Doric states. The Doric deity was Apollo; consequently we find the Doric chorus, which was properly accompanied by the lyre, immediately connected with the worship of Apollo, the inventor of the lyre.

The most important event in the history of Greek choral poetry was the adaptation of the dithyramb, or old Bacchic song, to the system of Doric choruses; for it was to this that we owe the Attic drama. The dithyramb was originally of the nature of a *comus*—it was sung by a band of revellers to a flute accompaniment; and Arion, the celebrated player on the *cithara*, was the first to practise a regular chorus in the dithyramb, and to adapt it to the *cithara*. The dithyramb was danced round a blazing altar by a chorus of 50 men or boys; hence it was called a *circular chorus* (κύκλιος χορός).

Tragedy arose from the recitations of the leaders of the dithyrambic chorus, and the first beginning of it is supposed to have been when the poet, Thespis, as leader of his dithyrambic chorus, either made long epic or narrative speeches, or conversed with his chorus. Aeschylus introduced a dialogue between two of the *exarchi*, who thus became *actors*. The tragic chorus subsequently consisted of twelve or fifteen persons, the comic of twenty-four, and the satyric probably of nine or six.

The tragic chorus still mustered around the *thymele* or altar of Bacchus in the theatre, thereby showing some last traces of its dithyrambic origin; and though the lyre was its general accompaniment, it did not by any means repudiate the flute, the old accompaniment of the dithyramb.

The expense of the chorus, as is stated under **CHORAGUS**, was defrayed by the choragus, who was assigned to the poet by the archon. In the case of a dramatic chorus, the poet, if he intended to represent at the *Lecæa*, applied to the king-archon; if at the

great Dionysia, to the chief archon, who "gave him a chorus," if his play was thought to deserve it. The comic dance was not at first thought worthy of a public chorus, but the chorus in that species of drama was at first performed by amateurs.

CHOUS or CHOËUS (χοῦς or χοεύς), equal to the Roman congius, and contained six ἔξοται, or sextarii (= 5.9471 pints English). It seems that there was also a smaller measure of the same name, containing two sextarii (= 1.9823 pints English).

CHRYSEÏDETA, costly dishes used by the Romans at their entertainments, apparently made of silver, with golden ornaments.

CINCTUS GABINUS. [Toga.]

CINGULUM. [Zona.]

CINERARIUS. [Calamistrum.]

CINERES. [Fusus.]

CINIFLO. [Calamistrum.]

CIPPUS, a low column, sometimes round, but more frequently rectangular. Cippi were used for various purposes; the decrees of the senate were sometimes inscribed upon them; and with distances engraved upon them, they also served as mile-stones. They were how-

the burying-ground a cippus, on which the extent of the burying-ground was marked, towards the road (*in fronte*), and backwards to the fields (*in agrum*).

CIRCENSES LUDI. [Circus.]

CIRCITORES, or CICUITORES. [Castrum.]

CIRCUS. When Tarquinius Priscus had taken the town of Apiolæ from the Latins, he commemorated his success by an exhibition of races and pugilistic contests in the Murcian valley, between the Palatine and Aventine hills; around which a number of temporary platforms were erected by the patres and equites, called *spectacula, fori*, or *foruli*, from their resemblance to the deck of a ship; each one raising a stage for himself, upon which he stood to view the games. This course, with its surrounding scaffoldings, was termed circus; either because the spectators stood round to see the shows, or because the procession and races went round in a circuit. Previously, however, to the death of Tarquin, a permanent building was constructed for the purpose, with regular tiers of seats in the form of a theatre. To this the name of Circus Maximus was subsequently given, as a distinction from the Flaminian and other similar buildings, which it surpassed in extent and splendour; and hence it is often spoken of as the *Circus*, without any distinguishing epithet.

Of the Circus Maximus scarcely a vestige now remains; but this loss is fortunately supplied by the remains of a small circus on the Via Appia, the ground-plan of which is in a state of considerable preservation: it is represented in the annexed cut, and may be taken as a model of all others.

Around the double lines (A, A) were arranged the seats (*gradus, sedilia, subsellia*), as in a theatre, termed collectively the *cavea*; the lowest of which were separated from the ground by a *podium*, and the whole divided longitudinally by *præcinctiones*, and diagonally into *cunei*, with their *vomitoria* attached to each. [AMPHITHEATRUM.] Towards the extremity of the upper branch of the *cavea*, the general outline is broken by an outwork (B), which was probably the *pulvinar*, or station for the emperor, as it is placed in the best situation for seeing both the commencement and end of the course, and in the most prominent part of the circus. In the opposite branch is observed another interruption to the uniform line of seats (C), betokening also, from its construction, a place of distinction; which might have been assigned to the person at whose expense the games were given (*editor spectaculorum*). In the centre of the area was a low

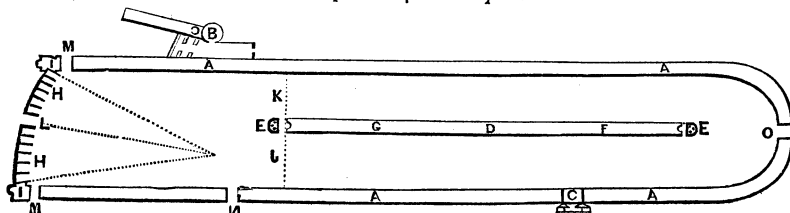


Cippus, Sepulchral Monument.

ever, more frequently employed as sepulchral monuments.

It was also usual to place at one corner of

wall (D) running lengthways down the course, which, from its resemblance to the position of the dorsal bone in the human frame, was termed *spina*.



Ground Plan of the Circus.

At each extremity of the *spina* were placed upon a base (E, E), three wooden cylinders, of a conical shape, like cypress trees, which were called *metae*—the goals. Their situation is distinctly seen in the following cut.

The most remarkable objects upon the *spina* were two columns (F) supporting seven conical balls, which, from their resemblance to eggs, were called *ova*, and these are also seen in the following cut. Their use was to enable the spectators to count the number of rounds which had been run; and they were seven in number, because seven was the number of the circuits made in each race. As each round was run, one of the *ova* was either put up or taken down. An egg was adopted for this purpose, in honour of Castor and Pollux. At the other extremity of the *spina* were two similar columns (G), sustaining seven dolphins, termed *delphinae*, or *delphinarum columnae*, which do not appear to have been intended to be removed, but only placed there as corresponding ornaments to the *ova*; and the figure of the dolphin was selected in honour of Neptune.

At the extremity of the circus in which the

two horns of the *cavea* terminate, were placed the stalls for the horses and chariots (H, H), commonly called *carceres*, but more anciently the whole line of building at this end of the circus was termed *oppidum*: hence in the circus, of which the plan is given above, we find two towers (I, I), at each end of the *carceres*. The number of *carceres* is supposed to have been usually twelve, as in this plan. They were vaults closed in front by gates of open wood-work (*cancelli*), which were opened simultaneously upon the signal being given. There were five entrances to the circus, one (L) in the centre of the *carceres*, called *porta pompae*, because it was the one through which the Circensian procession entered; the others at M, M, N, and O.

At the entrance of the course, exactly in the direction of the line (J, K), were two small pedestals (*hermuli*) on each side of the *podium*, to which was attached a chalked rope (*alba linea*), for the purpose of making the start fair, precisely as is practised at Rome for the horse-races during Carnival. Thus, when the doors of the *carceres* were thrown open, if any of the horses rushed out before the others, they were brought up by this rope until the



Spina of the Circus, from an ancient bas-relief.

whole were fairly abreast, when it was loosened from one side, and all poured into the course at once. This was also called *calx*, and *creta*. The *metæ* served only to regulate the turnings of the course, the *alba linea* answered to the starting and winning post of modern days.

From this description the Circus Maximus differed little, except in size and magnificence of embellishment. The numbers which the Circus Maximus was capable of containing are computed at 150,000 by Dionysius, 260,000 by Pliny, and 385,000 by P. Victor, all of which are probably correct, but have reference to different periods of its history. Its length, in the time of Julius Caesar, was three stadia, the width one, and the depth of the buildings occupied half a stadium.

When the Circus Maximus was permanently formed by Tarquinius Priscus, each of the thirty curia had a particular place assigned to it; but as no provision was made for the plebeians in this circus, it is supposed that the Circus Flaminius was designed for the games of the commonalty, who in early times chose their tribunes there, on the Flaminian field. However, in the latter days of the republic, these invidious distinctions were lost, and all classes sat promiscuously in the circus. The seats were then marked off at intervals by a line or groove drawn across them (*linea*), so that the space included between two lines afforded sitting room for a certain number of spectators. Under the empire, however, the senators and equites were separated from the common people. The seat of the emperor (*pulvinar*, or *cubiculum*) was most likely in the same situation in the Circus Maximus as in the one above described.

The Circensian games (*Ludi Circenses*) were first instituted by Romulus, according to the legends, when he wished to attract the Sabine population to Rome, for the purpose of furnishing his own people with wives, and were celebrated in honour of the god Consus, or Neptunus Equestris, from whom they were styled *Consuales*. But after the construction of the Circus Maximus, they were called indiscriminately *Circenses*, *Romani*, or *Magni*. They embraced six kinds of games:—I. CURSUS; II. LUDUS TROJAE; III. PUGNA EQUESTRI; IV. CERTAMEN GYMNICUM; V. VENATIO; VI. NAUMACHIA. The two last were not peculiar to the circus, but were exhibited also in the amphitheatre, or in buildings appropriated for them.

The games commenced with a grand procession (*Pompa Circensis*), in which all those who were about to exhibit in the circus as well as persons of distinction bore a part. The

statues of the gods formed the most conspicuous feature in the show, which were paraded upon wooden platforms, called *fercula* and *thensae*. The former were borne upon the shoulders, as the statues of saints are carried in modern processions; the latter were drawn along upon wheels.

I. CURSUS, the races. The carriage usually employed in the circus was drawn by two or four horses (*biga*, *quadriga*). [CURRUS.]

The usual number of chariots which started for each race was four. The drivers (*aurigae*, *agitatores*) were also divided into four companies, each distinguished by a different colour, to represent the four seasons of the year, and called a *factio*: thus *factio prasina*, the green, represented the spring; *factio russata*, red, the summer; *factio veneta*, azure, the autumn; and *factio alba* or *albata*, white, the winter. Originally there were but two factions, *albata* and *russata*, and consequently only two chariots started at each race. The driver stood in his car within the reins, which went round his back. This enabled him to throw all his weight against the horses, by leaning backwards; but it greatly enhanced his danger in case of an upset. To avoid this peril, a sort of knife or bill-hook was carried at the waist, for the purpose of cutting the reins in a case of emergency.

When all was ready, the doors of the carceres were flung open, and the chariots were formed abreast of the *alba linea* by men called *moratores* from their duty; the signal for the start was then given by the person who presided at the games, sometimes by sound of trumpet, or more usually by letting fall a napkin; whence the Circensian games are called *spectacula nappae*. The *alba linea* was then cast off, and the race commenced, the extent of which was seven times round the *spina*, keeping it always on the left. A course of seven circuits was termed *unus missus*, and twenty-five was the number of races run in each day, the last of which was called *missus aerarius*, because in early times the expense of it was defrayed by a collection of money (*aes*) made amongst the people. The victor descended from his car at the conclusion of the race, and ascended the *spina*, where he received his reward (*bravium*, from the Greek *βραβεῖον*), which consisted in a considerable sum of money.

The horse-racing followed the same rules as the chariots.

The enthusiasm of the Romans for these races exceeded all bounds. Lists of the horses (*libella*), with their names and colours, and the names of the drivers, were handed about, and heavy bets made upon each faction; and some-

times the contests between two parties broke out into open violence and bloody quarrels, until at last the disputes which originated in the circus had nearly lost the Emperor Justinian his crown.

II. **LUDUS TROJÆ**, a sort of sham-fight, said to have been invented by Aeneas, performed by young men of rank on horseback, and often exhibited by the emperors.

III. **PUGNA EQUESTRIIS ET PEDESTRIIS**, a representation of a battle, upon which occasions a camp was formed in the circus.

IV. **CERTAMEN GYMNICUM**. See **ATHLETÆ**, and the references to the articles there given.

V. [**VENATIO**.] VI. [**NAUMACHIA**.]

CISCIUM, a light open carriage with two wheels, adapted to carry two persons rapidly from place to place.



Ciscium.

The ciscia were quickly drawn by mules. Cicero mentions the case of a messenger who traveled 56 miles in 10 hours in such vehicles, which were kept for hire at the stations along the great roads; a proof that the ancients considered six Roman miles per hour as an extraordinary speed.

CISTA (*κίστη*), a small box or chest, in which anything might be placed, but more



Cista.

particularly applied to the small boxes which were carried in procession in the festivals of Ceres and Bacchus. These boxes, which were always kept closed in the public processions, contained sacred things connected with the worship of these deities. In the representations of Dionysiac processions on ancient vases, women carrying cistae are frequently introduced.

The *cista* was also the name of the ballot-box, into which those who voted in the comitia and in the courts of justice cast their tabellae. It is represented in the annexed cut, and should not be confounded with the *situla* or *sitella*, into which sortes or lots were thrown. [**SITULA**.]



CISTOPHORUS (*κιστοφόρος*), a silver coin, which is supposed to belong to Rhodes, and which was in general circulation in Asia Minor at the time of the conquest of that country by the Romans. It took its name from the device upon it, which was either the sacred chest (*cista*) of Bacchus, or more probably a flower called *κιστός*. Its value is extremely uncertain: some writers suppose it to have been worth in our money about 7½d.

CITHARA. [**LYRA**.]

CITIZEN. [**CIVITAS**.]

CIVIS. [**CIVITAS**.]

CIVITAS, citizenship.

1. **GREEK** (*πολιτεία*). Aristotle defines a citizen (*πολίτης*) to be one who is a partner in the legislative and judicial power (*μέτοχος κρίσεως καὶ ἀρχῆς*). No definition will equally apply to all the different states of Greece, or to any single state at different times; the above seems to comprehend more or less properly all those whom the common use of language entitled to the name.

A state in the heroic ages was the government of a prince; the citizens were his subjects, and derived all their privileges, civil as well as religious, from their nobles and princes. The shadows of a council and assembly were already in existence, but their business was to obey. Upon the whole the notion of citizenship in the heroic age only existed so far as the condition of aliens or of domestic slaves was its negative.

The rise of a dominant class gradually overthrew the monarchies of ancient Greece. Of such a class, the chief characteristics were good birth and the hereditary transmission of privileges, the possession of land, and the performance of military service. To these characters the names *gamori* (*γάμοροι*), knights (*ἰππεῖς*), *eupatridae* (*εὐπατριδαί*), &c. severally correspond. Strictly speaking, these were the only citizens; yet the lower class were quite distinct from bondmen or slaves. It com-

monly happened that the nobility occupied the fortified towns, while the *demus* (*δήμος*) lived in the country and followed agricultural pursuits: whenever the latter were gathered within the walls, and became seamen or handicraftsmen, the difference of ranks was soon lost, and wealth made the only standard. The quarrels of the nobility among themselves, and the admixture of population arising from immigrations, all tended to raise the lower orders from their political subjection. It must be remembered, too, that the possession of domestic slaves, if it placed them in no new relation to the governing body, at any rate gave them leisure to attend to the higher duties of a citizen, and thus served to increase their political efficiency.

During the convulsions which followed the heroic ages, naturalization was readily granted to all who desired it; as the value of citizenship increased, it was, of course, more sparingly bestowed. The ties of hospitality descended from the prince to the state, and the friendly relations of the Homeric heroes were exchanged for the *προξενία* of a later period. In political intercourse, the importance of these last soon began to be felt, and the *Proxenus* at Athens, in after times, obtained rights only inferior to actual citizenship. [HOSPITIUM.] The isopolite relation existed, however, on a much more extended scale. Sometimes particular privileges were granted: as *ἐπιγαμία*, the right of intermarriage; *ἐγκτησις*, the right of acquiring landed property; *ἀτέλεια*, immunity from taxation, especially *ἀτέλεια μετοικίου*, from the tax imposed on resident aliens. All these privileges were included under the general term *ισοτέλεια*, or *ισοπολιτεία*, and the class who obtained them were called *ισοτέλεις*. They bore the same burthens with the citizens, and could plead in the courts or transact business with the people, without the intervention of a *προστάτης* or patron.

Respecting the division of the Athenian citizens into tribes, phratræ and demes, see the articles *TRIBUS* and *DEMUS*.

If we would picture to ourselves the true notion which the Greeks embodied in the word *polis* (*πόλις*), we must lay aside all modern ideas respecting the nature and object of a state. With us practically, if not in theory, the essential object of a state hardly embraces more than the protection of life and property. The Greeks, on the other hand, had the most vivid conception of the state as a whole, every part of which was to co-operate to some great end to which all other duties were considered as subordinate. Thus the aim of democracy was said to be liberty; wealth, of oligarchy;

and education, of aristocracy. In all governments the endeavour was to draw the social union as close as possible, and it seems to have been with this view that Aristotle laid down a principle which answered well enough to the accidental circumstances of the Grecian states, that a *polis* must be of a certain size.

This unity of purpose was nowhere so fully carried out as in the government of Sparta. The design of Spartan institutions was evidently to unite the governing body among themselves against the superior numbers of the subject population. The division of lands the *syssitia*, the education of their youth, attended to this great object. [HELOTES; PERIOECI.]

In legal rights all Spartans were equal: but there were yet several gradations, which, when once formed, retained their hold on the aristocratic feelings of the people. First, there was the dignity of the Heraclid families; and, connected with this, a certain pre-eminence of the Hyllean tribe. Another distinction was that between the *Homoioi* (*ὁμοιοί*) and *Hypomeiones* (*ὑπομεινόνες*), which, in later times, appears to have been considerable. The latter term probably comprehended those citizens who, from degeneracy of manners or other causes, had undergone some kind of civil degradation. To these the *Homoioi* were opposed, although it is not certain in what the precise difference consisted.

All the Spartan citizens were included in the three tribes, Hylleans, Dymanes, or Dymanatae, and Pamphilians, each of which was divided into ten obes or phratræ. The citizens of Sparta, as of most oligarchical states, were land-owners, although this does not seem to have been looked upon as an essential of citizenship.

2. ROMAN. *Civitas* means the whole body of *cives*, or members, of any given state, and the word is frequently used by the Roman writers to express the rights of a Roman citizen, as distinguished from those of other persons not Roman citizens, as in the phrases *dare civitatem*, *donare civitate*, *usurpare civitatem*.

Some members of a political community (*cives*) may have more political rights than others: and this was the case at Rome under the republic, in which we find a distinction made between two great classes of Roman citizens, one that had, and another that had not, a share in the sovereign power (*optima jure*, non *optimo jure cives*). That which peculiarly distinguished the higher class, or the *optimo jure cives*, was the right to vote in a tribe (*jus suffragiorum*), and the capacity of

enjoying magistracy (*jus honorum*). The inferior class, or the *non optimo jure cives*, did not possess the above rights, which the Romans called *jus publicum*, but they only had the *jus privatum*, which comprehended the *jus connubii* and *jus commercii*, and those who had not these had no citizenship.

Under the empire we find the free persons who were within the political limits of the Roman state divided into three great classes. The same division probably existed in an early period of the Roman state, and certainly existed in the time of Cicero. These classes were, *cives*, *Latini*, and *peregrini*. *Civis* is he who possesses the complete rights of a Roman citizen. *Peregrinus* was incapable of exercising the rights of *commercium* and *connubium*, which were the characteristic rights of a Roman citizen; but he had a capacity for making all kinds of contracts which were allowable by the *jus gentium*. The *Latinus* was in an intermediate state; he had not the *connubium*, and consequently he had not the *patria potestas* nor rights of agnatio; but he had the *commercium* or the right of acquiring quiritarian ownership, and he had also a capacity for all acts incident to quiritarian ownership, as the power of making a will in Roman form, and of becoming heres under a will.

The rights of a Roman citizen were acquired in several ways, but most commonly by a person being born of parents who were Roman citizens.

A slave might obtain the *civitas* by manumission (*vindicta*), by the census, and by a testamentum, if there was no legal impediment; but it depended on circumstances whether he became a *civis Romanus*, a *Latinus*, or in the number of the *peregrini dediticii*. [MANUMISSIO.]

The *civitas* could be conferred on a foreigner by a *lex*, as in the case of Archias, who was a *civis* of Heraclea, a *civitas* which had a foedus with Rome, and who claimed the *civitas Romana* under the provisions of a *lex* of Silvanus and Carbo, B. C. 89. By the provisions of this *lex*, the person who chose to take the benefit of it was required, within sixty days after the passing of the *lex*, to signify to the praetor his wish and consent to accept the *civitas* (*profiteri*). This *lex* was intended to give the *civitas*, under certain limitations, to foreigners who were citizens of federate states (*foederatis civitatibus adscripti*). [FOEDERATE CIVITATES.] Thus the great mass of the Italians obtained the *civitas*, and the privileges of the former *civitates foederatae* were extended to the provinces, first to part of Gaul, and then to Sicily,

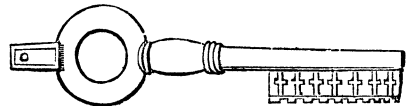
under the name of *Jus Latii* or *Latinitas*. This *Latinitas* gave a man the right of acquiring the Roman citizenship by having exercised a magistratus in his own *civitas*; a privilege which belonged to the *foederatae civitates* of Italy before they obtained the Roman *civitas*.

CLARIGATIO. [FETIALES.]

CLASSES. [CAPUT; COMITIA.]

CLA'SSICUM. [CORNÜ.]

CLAVIS (*κλείς*, *dim. κλειδίον*), a key. The key was used in very early times, and was probably introduced into Greece from Egypt; although Eustathius states, that in early times all fastenings were made by chains, and that keys were comparatively of a much later invention, which invention he attributes to the Laconians. We have no evidence respecting the materials of which the Greeks made their keys, but among the Romans the larger and coarser sort were made of iron. Those discovered at Pompeii and elsewhere are mostly of bronze. The annexed woodcut represents a key found at Pompeii, the size of which indicates that it was used as a door key.



CLAVUS LATUS, CLAVUS ANGUSTUS.

TUS. The *clavus*, as an article of dress, seems to have been a purple band worn upon the tunic and toga, and was of two fashions, one broad and the other narrow, denominated respectively *clavus latus* and *clavus angustus*. The former was a single broad band of purple, extending perpendicularly from the neck down to the centre of the tunic; the latter probably consisted of two narrow purple slips, running parallel to each from the top to the bottom of the tunic, one from each shoulder. The *latus clavus* was a distinctive badge of the senatorian order; and hence it is used to signify the senatorial dignity, and *laticlavius*, the person who enjoys it.

The *angustus clavus* was the decoration of the equestrian order; but the right of wearing the *latus clavus* was also given to the children of equestrians, at least in the time of Augustus, as a prelude to entering the senate-house. This, however, was a matter of personal indulgence, and was granted only to persons of very ancient family and corresponding wealth, and then by special favour of the

emperor. In such cases the *latus clavus* was assumed with the toga virilis, and worn until the age arrived at which the young equestrian was admissible into the senate, when it was relinquished and the *angustus clavus* resumed, if a disinclination on his part, or any other circumstances, prevented him from entering the senate, as was the case with Ovid. But it seems that the *latus clavus* could be again resumed if the same individual subsequently wished to become a senator, and hence a fickle character is designated as one who is always changing his clavus.

The *latus clavus* is said to have been introduced at Rome by Tullus Hostilius, and to have been adopted by him after his conquest of the Etruscans; nor does it appear to have been confined to any particular class during the earlier periods, but to have been worn by all ranks promiscuously. It was laid aside in public mourning.

CLEPSYDRA. [HOROLOGIUM.]

CLERUCHI (*κληρουχοι*), the name of Athenian citizens who occupied conquered lands: their possession was called *cleruchia* (*κληρουχία*). The Athenian Cleruchi differed from the *ἀποικοι* or ordinary colonists. The only object of the earlier colonies was to relieve surplus population, or to provide a home for those whom internal quarrels had exiled from their country. Most usually they originated in private enterprize, and became independent of, and lost their interest in, the parent state. On the other hand, it was essential to the very notion of a *cleruchia* that it should be a public enterprize, and should always retain a connection more or less intimate with Athens herself.

The connection with the parent state subsisted in all degrees. Sometimes, as in the case of Lesbos, the holders of land did not reside upon their estates, but let them to the original inhabitants, while themselves remained at Athens. The condition of these cleruchi did not differ from that of Athenian citizens who had estates in Attica. All their political rights they not only retained, but exercised as Athenians. Another case was where the cleruchi resided on their estates, and either with or without the old inhabitants, formed a new community. These still retained the rights of Athenian citizens, which distance only precluded them from exercising: they used the Athenian courts; and if they or their children wished to return to Athens, naturally and of course they regained the exercise of their former privileges.

Sometimes, however, the connection might gradually dissolve, and the cleruchi sink into

the condition of mere allies, or separate wholly from the mother country.

It was to Pericles that Athens was chiefly indebted for the extension and permanence of her colonial settlements. His principal object was to provide for the redundancies of population, and raise the poorer citizens to a fortune becoming the dignity of Athenian citizens. It was of this class of persons the settlers were chiefly composed; the state provided them with arms, and defrayed the expenses of their journey.

The cleruchiae were lost by the battle of Aegospotami, but partially restored on the revival of Athenian power.

CLETERES or CLETORES (*κληῖτορες*, *κλήτορες*), summoners, were at Athens not official persons, but merely witnesses to the prosecutor that he had served the defendant with a notice of the action brought against him, and the day upon which it would be requisite for him to appear before the proper magistrate.

CLIBANARI. [CATAPHRACTI.]

CLIENS is said to contain the same element as the verb *cluere*, to "hear" or "obey," and may be accordingly compared with the German word *höriger*, "a dependent," from *hören*, "to hear."

In the earliest times of the Roman state we find a class of persons called *clientes*, who must not be confounded with the plebeians, from whom they were distinct. The clients were not slaves: they had property of their own and freedom, and appear to have had votes in the comitia centuriata, but they did not possess the full rights of Roman citizens; and the peculiarity of their condition consisted in every client being in a state of dependence upon or subjection to some patrician, who was called his *patronus*, and to whom he owed certain rights and duties. The patronus, on the other hand, likewise incurred certain obligations towards his client. This relationship between patronus and cliens was expressed by the word *clientela*, which also expressed the whole body of a man's clients.

The relative rights and duties of the patrons and the clients were, according to Dionysius, as follow:—

The patron was the legal adviser of the clients; he was the client's guardian and protector, as he was the guardian and protector of his own children; he maintained the client's suit when he was wronged, and defended him when another complained of being wronged by him: in a word, the patron was the guardian of the client's interests, both private and public. The client contributed to the marriage portion of the patron's daughter, if

the patron was poor; and to his ransom, or that of his children, if they were taken prisoners; he paid the costs and damages of a suit which the patron lost, and of any penalty in which he was condemned; he bore a part of the patron's expenses incurred by his discharging public duties, or filling the honourable places in the state. Neither party could accuse the other, or bear testimony against the other, or give his vote against the other. This relationship between patron and client subsisted for many generations, and resembled in all respects the relationship by blood.

The relation of a master to his liberated slave (*libertus*) was expressed by the word *patronus*, and the *libertus* was the client of his *patronus*. Distinguished Romans were also the protectors of states and cities, which were in a certain relation of subjection or dependence to Rome. In the time of Cicero we also find *patronus* in the sense of adviser, advocate, or defender, opposed to *cliens* in the sense of the person defended or the consultor—a use of the word which must be referred to the original character of the *patronus*.

CLIENTE'LA. [CLIENS.]

CLYPEUS (*κλῑπεῖς*), the large shield worn by the Greeks and Romans, which was originally of the circular form, and is said to have



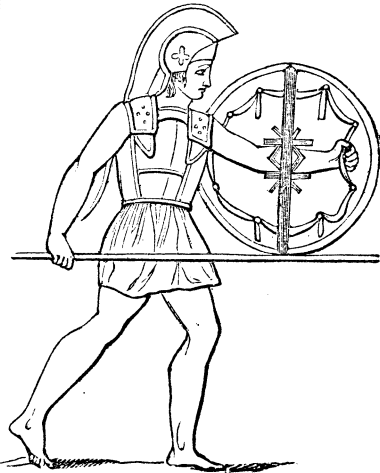
Clipeus, Shield.

CLITELLAE.

been first used by Proetus and Acrisius of Argos, and therefore is called *clipeus Argolicus*, and likened to the sun. But the clipeus is often represented in Roman sculpture of an oblong oval, which makes the distinction between the common buckler and that of Argos.

The outer rim was termed *ἀντιξ* by the Greeks; and in the centre was a projection called *ὀμφαλός* or *umbo*, which served as a sort of weapon by itself, or caused the missiles of the enemy to glance off from the shield.

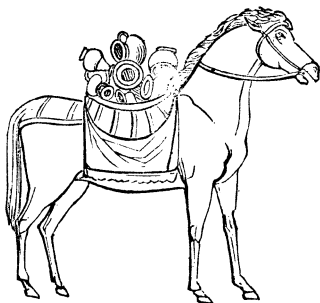
In the Homeric times, the Greeks merely used a leather strap (*τελαμών*) to support the shield, but subsequently a handle (*ἔχανον* or *ῥχάνη*), the use and form of which are exhibited in the annexed cut.



Clipeus, Shield.

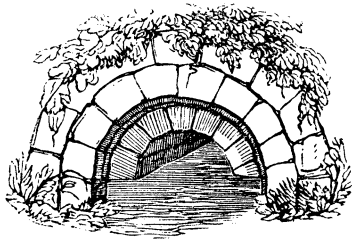
When the census was instituted by Servius Tullius at Rome, the first class only used the *clipeus*, and the second were armed with the *scutum* [SCUTUM]; but after the Roman soldiery received pay, the *clipeus* was discontinued altogether for the *scutum*.

CLITELLAE, a pair of panniers, and therefore only used in the plural number. In Italy they were commonly used with mules or asses; but in other countries they were also applied to horses, of which an instance is given in the annexed woodcut from the column of Trajan.



Clitellae.

CLOA'CA, a sewer, a drain. Rome was intersected by numerous sewers, some of which were of an immense size: the most celebrated of them was the *cloaca maxima*, the construction of which is ascribed to Tarquinius Priscus. It was formed by three tiers of arches, one within the other, the innermost of which is a semicircular vault of 14 feet in diameter. The manner of its construction is shown in the annexed cut.



Cloaca.

Under the republic, the administration of the sewers was entrusted to the censors; but under the empire, particular officers were appointed for that purpose, called *cloacarum curatores*, who employed condemned criminals in cleansing and repairing them.

CLOCK. [**HOROLOGIUM.**]

COA VESTIS, the Coan robe, was a transparent dress, chiefly worn by women of loose reputation. It has been supposed to have been made of silk, because in Cos silk was spun and woven at a very early period.

COACTOR, the name of collectors of various sorts, *e. g.* the servants of the publicani, or farmers of the public taxes, who collected

the revenues for them, and those who collected the money from the purchasers of things sold at a public auction. Horace informs us that his father was a coactor of this kind. Moreover, the servants of the money-changers were so called, from collecting their debts for them. The "*coactores agminis*" were the soldiers who brought up the rear of a line of march.

CO'CHLEAR (*κοχλίαιον*), a kind of spoon, which appears to have terminated with a point at one end, and at the other was broad and hollow like our spoons. The pointed end was used for drawing snails (*cochleae*) out of their shells, and eating them, whence it derived its name; and the broader part for eating eggs, &c.

Cochlear was also the name given to a small measure like our spoonful.

CODEX, identical with *caudex*, as *Claudius* and *Clodius*, *claustrum* and *clostrum*, *cauda* and *coda*, originally signified the trunk or stem of a tree. The name codex was especially applied to wooden tablets bound together and lined with a coat of wax, for the purpose of writing upon them, and when, at a later age, parchment or paper, or other materials were substituted for wood, and put together in the shape of a book, the name of codex was still given to them. In the time of Cicero, we find it also applied to the tablet on which a bill was written. At a still later period, during the time of the emperors, the word was used to express any collection of laws or constitutions of the emperors, whether made by private individuals or by public authority, as the *Codex Gregorianus*, *Codex Theodosianus*, and *Codex Justinianus*.

COE'MPTIO. [**MATRIMONIUM.**]

COENA. As the Roman meals are not always clearly distinguished, it will be convenient to treat of all under the most important one; and we shall confine ourselves to the description of the ordinary life of the middle ranks of society in the Augustan age, noticing incidentally the most remarkable deviations.

The meal with which the Roman sometimes began the day was the *jentaculum*, which was chiefly taken by children, or sick persons, or the luxurious. An irregular meal (if we may so express it) was not likely to have any very regular time; two epigrams of Martial, however, seem to fix the hour at about three or four o'clock in the morning. Bread formed the substantial part of this early breakfast, to which cheese, or dried fruit, as dates and raisins, were sometimes added.

Next followed the *prandium* or luncheon,

with persons of simple habits a frugal meal, usually taken about twelve or one o'clock.

The *coena*, or principal meal of the day, corresponding to our "dinner," was usually taken about three o'clock in the time of Cicero and Augustus, though we read of some persons not dining till near sunset. A Roman dinner at the house of a wealthy man usually consisted of three courses. The first was called *promulsis*, *antecoena* or *gustatio*, and was made up of all sorts of stimulants to the appetite. Eggs also were so indispensable to the first course that they almost gave a name to it (*ab ovo usque ad mala*). The frugality of Martial only allowed of lettuce and Sicilian olives; indeed he himself tells us that the *promulsis* was a refinement of modern luxury. It would far exceed our limits to mention all the dishes which formed the second course of a Roman dinner. Of birds, the Guinea hen (*Afra avis*), the pheasant (*phasiana*, so called from Phasis, a river of Colchis), and the thrush, were most in repute; the liver of a capon steeped in milk, and beccaficos (*ficculae*) dressed with pepper, were held a delicacy. The peacock, according to Macrobius, was first introduced by Hortensius the orator, at an inaugural supper, and acquired such repute among the Roman gourmands as to be commonly sold for fifty denarii. Other birds are mentioned, as the duck (*anas*), especially its head and breast; the woodcock (*attagen*), the turtle, and flamingo (*phoenicopterus*), the tongue of which, Martial tells us, especially commended itself to the delicate palate. Of fish the variety was perhaps still greater: the charr (*scarus*), the turbot (*rhombus*), the sturgeon (*acipenser*), the mullet (*mullus*), were highly prized, and dressed in the most various fashions. Of solid meat, pork seems to have been the favourite dish, especially sucking-pig. Boar's flesh and venison were also in high repute, especially the former, described by Juvenal as *animal propter convivia natum*. Condiments were added to most of these dishes: such were the *muria*, a kind of pickle made from the tunny fish; the *garum sociorum*, made from the intestines of the mackerel (*scomber*), so called because brought from abroad; *alec*, a sort of brine; *faex*, the sediment of wine, &c. Several kinds of *fungi* are mentioned, truffles (*boleti*), mushrooms (*tuberes*), which either made dishes by themselves, or formed the garniture for larger dishes.

It must not be supposed that the *artistes* of imperial Rome were at all behind ourselves in the preparations and arrangements of the table. In a large household, the functionaries to whom this important duty was en-

trusted were four, the butler (*promus*), the cook (*archimagirus*), the arranger of the dishes (*structor*), and the carver (*carptor* or *scissor*). Carving was taught as an art, and performed to the sound of music, with appropriate gestulations.

"—minimo sane discrimine refert,

Quo vultu lepores, et quo gallina secetur."

In the supper of Petronius, a large round tray (*ferculum, repositorium*) is brought in, with the signs of the zodiac figured all round it, upon each of which the *artiste* (*structor*) had placed some appropriate viand, a goose on Aquarius, a pair of scales with tarts (*scriblitae*) and cheesecakes (*placentae*) in each scale on Libra, &c. In the middle was placed a hive supported by delicate herbage. Presently four slaves come forward dancing to the sound of music, and take away the upper part of the dish; beneath appear all kinds of dressed meats; a hare with wings, to imitate Pegasus, in the middle; and four figures of Marsyas at the corners, pouring hot sauce (*garum piperatum*) over the fish, that were swimming in the Euripus below. So entirely had the Romans lost all shame of luxury, since the days when Cincius, in supporting the Fanian law, charged his own age with the enormity of introducing the *porcus Trojanus*, a sort of pudding stuffed with the flesh of other animals.

The third course was the *bellaria* or dessert, to which Horace alludes when he says of Tigellius *ob ovo usque ad mala citaret*; it consisted of fruits (which the Romans usually ate uncooked), such as almonds (*amygdalae*), dried grapes (*uvae passae*), dates (*palmulae, laryotae, dactyli*); of sweetmeats and confections, called *edulia mellita, dulciaria*, such as cheesecakes (*cupediae, crustula, liba, placentae, artologani*), almond cakes (*coptae*), tarts (*scriblitae*), whence the maker of them was called *pistor dulciarius, placentarius, libarius*, &c.

We will now suppose the table spread and the guests assembled, each with his *mappa* or napkin, and in his dinner dress, called *coenatoria* or *cubitoria*, usually of a bright colour, and variegated with flowers. First they took off their shoes, for fear of soiling the couch, which was often inlaid with ivory or tortoiseshell, and covered with cloth of gold. Next they lay down to eat, the head resting on the left elbow and supported by cushions. There were usually, but not always, three on the same couch, the middle place being esteemed the most honourable. Around the tables stood the servants (*ministri*) clothed in a tunic, and girt with napkins; some removed the dishes and wiped the tables with a rough cloth, others gave the guests water for their hands, or

cooled the room with fans. Here stood an eastern youth behind his master's couch, ready to answer the noise of the fingers, while others bore a large platter of different kinds of meat to the guests.

Dinner was set out in a room called *coenatio* or *diæta* (which two words perhaps conveyed to a Roman ear nearly the same distinction as our dining-room and parlour). The *coenatio*, in rich men's houses, was fitted up with great magnificence. Suetonius mentions a supper-room in the golden palace of Nero, constructed like a theatre, with shifting scenes to change with every course. In the midst of the *coenatio* were set three couches (*triclinia*), answering in shape to the square, as the long semicircular couches (*sigmata*) did to the oval tables. An account of the disposition of the couches, and of the place which each guest occupied, is given in the article *TRICLINIUM*.

For an account of Greek meals, see the article *DEIPNON*.

COENACULUM. [DOMUS.]

COENATIO. [COENA.]

COFFIN. [FUNUS.]

COGNATI, COGNATIO. The *cognatio* was the relationship of blood, which existed between those who were sprung from a common pair; and all persons so related were called *cognati*.

The foundation of *cognatio* is a legal marriage. The term *cognatus* (with some exceptions) comprehends *agnatus*; an *agnatus* may be a *cognatus*, but a *cognatus* is only an *agnatus* when his relationship by blood is traced through males.

Those who were of the same blood by both parents were sometimes called *germani*; *consanguinei* were those who had a common father only; and *uterini* those who had a common mother only.

COGNITOR. [ACTIO.]

COGNOMEN. [NOMEN.]

COHORS. [EXERCITUS.]

COLLEGIUM. The persons who formed a collegium were called *collegae* or *sodales*. The word collegium properly expressed the notion of several persons being united in any office for any common purpose; it afterwards came to signify a body of persons, and the union which bound them together. The collegium was the *ἐταιρία* of the Greeks.

The legal notion of a collegium was as follows:—A collegium or corpus, as it was also called, must consist of three persons at least. Persons who legally formed such an association were said *corpus habere*, which is equivalent to our phrase of being incorporated; and in later times they were said to be *corporati*, and the

body was called a *corporatio*. Associations of individuals, who were entitled to have a corpus, could hold property in common. Such a body, which was sometimes also called a *universitas*, was a legal unity. That which was due to the body, was not due to the individuals of it; and that which the body owed, was not the debt of the individuals. The common property of the body was liable to be seized and sold for the debts of the body.

It does not appear how collegia were formed, except that some were specially established by legal authority. Other collegia were probably formed by voluntary associations of individuals under the provisions of some general legal authority, such as those of the publicani.

Some of these corporate bodies resembled our companies or guilds; such were the *fabrum*, *pistorum*, &c. *collegia*. Others were of a religious character; such as the *pontificum*, *augurum*, *fratrum arvalem collegia*. Others were bodies concerned about government and administration; as *tribunorum plebis*, *quaestorum*, *decurionum collegia*.

According to the definition of a collegium, the consuls being only two in number were not a collegium, though each was called *collega* with respect to the other, and their union in office was called collegium.

When a new member was taken into a collegium, he was said *co-optari*, and the old members were said with respect to him, *recipere in collegium*. The mode of filling up vacancies would vary in different collegia. The statement of their rules belongs to the several heads of *AUGUR*, *PONTIFEX*, &c.

COLONIA, a colony, contains the same element as the verb *colere*, "to cultivate," and as the word *colonus*, which probably originally signified a "tiller of the earth."

1. GREEK. The usual Greek words for a colony are *ἀποικία* and *κληρονομία*. The latter word, which signified a division of conquered lands among Athenian citizens, and which corresponds in some respects to the Roman *colonia*, is explained in the article *CLERUCHI*.

The earlier Greek colonies, called *ἀποικίαι*, were usually composed of mere bands of adventurers, who left their native country, with their families and property, to seek a new home for themselves. Some of the colonies, which arose in consequence of foreign invasion or civil wars, were undertaken without any formal consent from the rest of the community; but usually a colony was sent out with the approbation of the mother country, and under the management of a leader (*οἰκιστής*) appointed by it. But whatever may

have been the origin of the colony, it was always considered in a political point of view independent of the mother country, called by the Greeks *metropolis* (*μητρόπολις*), the "mother-city," and entirely emancipated from its control. At the same time, though a colony was in no political subjection to its parent state, it was united to it by the ties of filial affection; and, according to the generally received opinions of the Greeks, its duties to the parent state corresponded to those of a daughter to her mother. Hence, in all matters of common interest, the colony gave precedence to the mother state; and the founder of the colony (*οἰκιστής*), who might be considered as the representative of the parent state, was usually worshipped, after his death, as a hero. Also, when the colony became in its turn a parent, it usually sought a leader for the colony which it intended to found from the original mother country; and the same feeling of respect was manifested by embassies which were sent to honour the principal festivals of the parent state, and also by bestowing places of honour and other marks of respect upon the ambassadors and other members of the parent state, when they visited the colony at festivals and on similar occasions. The colonists also worshipped in their new settlement the same deities as they had been accustomed to honour in their native country: the sacred fire, which was constantly kept burning on their public hearth, was taken from the Prytaneum of the parent city; and sometimes the priests also were brought from the mother state. In the same spirit, it was considered a violation of sacred ties for a mother country and a colony to make war upon one another.

The preceding account of the relations between the Greek colonies and the mother country is supported by the history which Thucydides gives us of the quarrel between Corcyra and Corinth. Corcyra was a colony of Corinth, and Epidamnus a colony of Corcyra; but the leader (*οἰκιστής*) of the colony of Epidamnus was a Corinthian who was invited from the metropolis Corinth. In course of time, in consequence of civil dissensions, and attacks from the neighbouring barbarians, the Epidamnians apply for aid to Corcyra, but their request is rejected. They next apply to the Corinthians, who took Epidamnus under their protection, thinking, says Thucydides, that the colony was no less theirs than the Corcyreans': and also induced to do so through hatred of the Corcyreans, because they neglected them though they were colonists; for they did not give to the Corinthians the customary honours and deference in the public solemnities and sacrifices, which

the other colonies were wont to pay to the mother country. The Corcyreans, who had become very powerful by sea, took offence at the Corinthians receiving Epidamnus under their protection, and the result was a war between Corcyra and Corinth. The Corcyreans sent ambassadors to Athens to ask assistance; and in reply to the objection that they were a colony of Corinth, they said "that every colony, as long as it is treated kindly, respects the mother country: but when it is injured, is alienated from it; for colonists are not sent out as subjects, but that they may have equal rights with those that remain at home."

It is true that ambitious states, such as Athens, sometimes claimed dominion over other states on the ground of relationship; but, as a general rule, colonies may be regarded as independent states, attached to their metropolis by ties of sympathy and common descent, but no farther. The case of Potidaea, to which the Corinthians sent annually the chief magistrates (*δημοσυνγοί*), appears to have been an exception to the general rule.

2. ROMAN. A kind of colonization seems to have existed among the oldest Italian nations, who, on certain occasions, sent out their superfluous male population, with arms in their hands, to seek for a new home. But these were apparently mere bands of adventurers, and such colonies rather resembled the old Greek colonies, than those by which Rome extended her dominion and her name.

Colonies were established by the Romans as far back as the annals or traditions of the city extend, and the practice was continued, without intermission, during the republic and under the empire. Colonies were intended to keep in check a conquered people, and also to repress hostile incursions; and their chief object was originally the extension and preservation of the Roman dominion in Italy. Cicero calls the old Italian colonies the *propugnacula imperii*. Another object was to increase the population. Sometimes the immediate object of a colony was to carry off a number of turbulent and discontented persons. Colonies were also established for the purpose of providing for veteran soldiers, a practice which was begun by Sulla, and continued under the emperors: these coloniae were called *militares*.

The old Roman colonies were in the nature of garrisons planted in conquered towns, and the colonists had a portion of the conquered territory (usually a third part) assigned to them. The inhabitants retained the rest of their lands, and lived together with the new

settlers, who alone composed the proper colony. The conquered people must at first have been quite a distinct class from, and inferior to the colonists.

No colonia was established without a lex, plebiscitum, or senatusconsultum; a fact which shows that a Roman colony was never a mere body of adventurers, but had a regular organization by the parent state. When a law was passed for founding a colony, persons were appointed to superintend its formation (*coloniam deducere*). These persons varied in number, but three was a common number (*triumviri ad colonos deducendos*). We also read of *duumviri*, *quinqueviri*, *vigintiviri* for the same purpose. The law fixed the quantity of land that was to be distributed, and how much was to be assigned to each person. No Roman could be sent out as a colonist without his free consent, and when the colony was not an inviting one, it was difficult to fill up the number of volunteers.

The colonia proceeded to its place of destination in the form of an army (*sub vexillo*), which is indicated on the coins of some coloniae. An *urbs*, if one did not already exist, was a necessary part of a new colony, and its limits were marked out by a plough, which is also indicated on ancient coins. The colonia had also a territory, which, whether marked out by the plough or not, was at least marked out by metes and bounds. Thus the *urbs* and territory of the colonia respectively corresponded to the *urbs* Roma and its territory. Religious ceremonies always accompanied the foundation of the colony, and the anniversary was afterwards observed. It is stated that a colony could not be sent out to the same place to which a colony had already been sent in due form (*auspicato deducta*). This merely means, that so long as the colony maintained its existence, there could be no new colony in the same place; a doctrine that would hardly need proof, for a new colony implied a new assignment of lands; but new settlers (*novi adscripti*) might be sent to occupy colonial lands not already assigned. Indeed it was not unusual for a colony to receive additions, and a colony might be re-established, if it seemed necessary, from any cause.

The commissioners appointed to conduct the colony had apparently a profitable office, and the establishment of a new settlement gave employment to numerous functionaries, among whom Cicero enumerates—*apparitores, scribae, librarii, praefones, architetti*. The foundation of a colony might then, in many cases, not only be a mere party measure, carried for the purpose of gaining popularity, but it would

give those in power an opportunity of providing places for many of their friends.

The colonies founded by the Romans were divided into two great classes of colonies of Roman citizens and Latin colonies; names which had no reference to the persons who formed the colonies, but merely indicated their political rights with respect to Rome as members of the colony. The members of a Roman colony (*colonia civium Romanorum*) preserved all the rights of Roman citizens. The members of a Latin colony (*colonia Latina*) ceased to have the full rights of Roman citizens. Probably some of the old Latin colonies were established by the Romans in conjunction with other Latin states. After the conquest of Latium, the Romans established colonies, called Latin colonies, in various parts of Italy. Roman citizens, who chose to join such colonies, gave up their civic rights, for the more solid advantage of a grant of land, and became LATINI. [CIVITAS.] Such colonies were subject to and part of the Roman state; but they did not possess the Roman franchise, and had no political bond among themselves. The lex Julia, passed b. c. 90, gave the Roman franchise to the members of the Latin colonies and the Socii; and such Latin colonies and states of the Socii were then called *municipia*, and became complete members of the Roman state. Thus there was then really no difference between these *municipia* and the Roman coloniae, except in their historical origin: the members of both were Roman citizens, and the Roman law prevailed in both.

In the colonies, as at Rome, the popular assembly had originally the sovereign power; they chose the magistrates, and could even make laws. When the popular assemblies became a mere form in Rome, and the elections were transferred by Tiberius to the senate, the same thing happened in the colonies, whose senates then possessed whatever power had once belonged to the community. The common name of this senate was *ordo decurionum*; in later times, simply *ordo curia*; the members of it were *decuriones* or *curiales*. Thus, in the later ages, *curia* is opposed to *senatus*, the former being the senate of a colony, and the latter the senate of Rome. But the terms *senatus* and *senator* were also applied to the senate and members of the senate of a colony. After the decline of the popular assemblies, the senate had the whole internal administration of a city, conjointly with the magistratus; but only a *decurio* could be a magistratus, and the choice was made by the *decuriones*.

The highest magistratus of a colonia were

the *duumviri* or *quattuorviri*, so called, as the members might vary, whose functions may be compared with those of the consulate at Rome before the establishment of the praetorship. The name *duumviri* seems to have been the most common. Their principal duties were the administration of justice, and accordingly we find on inscriptions "*Duumviri J. D.*" (*juri dicundo*), "*Quattuorviri J. D.*" The name consul also occurs in inscriptions to denote this chief magistracy; and even dictator and praetor occur under the empire and under the republic. The office of the *duumviri* lasted a year.

In some Italian towns there was a *praefectus juri dicundo*; he was in the place of, and not co-existent with, the *duumviri*. The *duumviri* were, as we have seen, originally chosen by the people; but the *praefectus* was appointed annually in Rome, and sent to the town called a *praefectura*, which might be either a municipium or a colonia, for it was only in the matter of the *praefectus* that a town called a *praefectura* differed from other Italian towns. Arpinum is called both a municipium and a *praefectura*; and Cicero, a native of this place, obtained the highest honours that Rome could confer.

The *ensor*, *curator*, or *quinquennalis*, all which names denote the same functionary, was also a municipal magistrate, and corresponded to the censor at Rome, and in some cases, perhaps, to the quaestor also. Censors are mentioned in Livy as magistrates of the twelve Latin colonies. The *quinquennales* were sometimes *duumviri*, sometimes *quattuorviri*; but they are always carefully distinguished from the *duumviri* and *quattuorviri J. D.*; and their functions were those of censors. They held their office for one year, and during the four intermediate years the functions were not exercised. The office of censor or *quinquennalis* was higher in rank than that of the *duumviri J. D.*, and it could only be filled by those who had discharged the other offices of the municipality.

COLOSSUS (*κολοσσός*), is used both by the Greeks and Romans to signify a statue larger than life; but as such statues were very common, the word was more frequently applied to designate figures of gigantic dimensions.

Such figures were first executed in Egypt, and were afterwards made by the Greeks and Romans. Among the colossal statues of Greece, the most celebrated was the bronze *colossus* at Rhodes, dedicated to the sun, the height of which was about 90 feet.

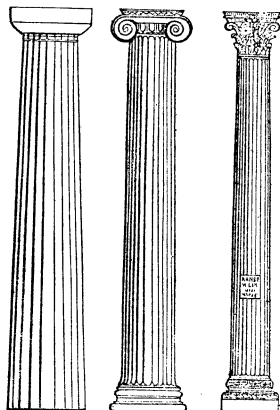
COLUMBARIUM, a dovecot or pigeon-house, also signified a sepulchral chamber

formed to receive the ashes of the lower orders or dependents of great families; and in the plural, the niches in which the cinerary urns (*ollae*) were deposited.

COLUMNA (*κίον*, *στῆλος*), a pillar or column.

The use of the trunks of trees placed upright for supporting buildings, unquestionably led to the adoption of similar supports wrought in stone. As the tree required to be based upon a flat square stone, and to have a stone or tile of similar form fixed on its summit to preserve it from decay, so the column was made with a square base, and was covered with an *abacus*. [ABACUS.] Hence the principal parts of which every column consists are three, the base (*basis*), the shaft (*scapus*), and the capital (*capitulum*).

In the Doric, which is the oldest style of Greek architecture, we must consider all the columns in the same row as having one common base, whereas in the Ionian and Corinthian each column has a separate base, called *spira*. The capitals of these two latter orders show, on comparison with the Doric, a much richer style of ornament; and the character of lightness and elegance is further obtained in them by their more slender shaft, its height being much greater in proportion to its thickness. Of all these circumstances some idea may be formed by the inspection of the three accompanying specimens of pillars. The first on the left hand is Doric, the second Ionic, and the third Corinthian.

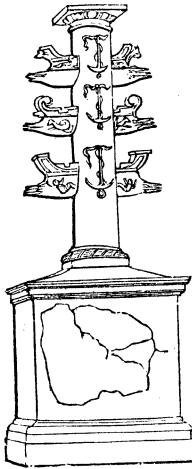


Columnae.

In all the orders the shaft tapers from the

bottom towards the top. The shaft was, however, made with a slight swelling in the middle, which was called the *entasis*. It was, moreover, almost universally channelled or fluted.

Rows of columns were generally employed in the interior and exterior of buildings; but single columns were also erected to commemorate persons or events. Among these, some of the most remarkable were the *columnae rostratae*, called by that name because three ship-beaks proceeded from each side of them, and designed to record successful engagements at sea. The most important and celebrated of those which yet remain, is one erected in honour of the consul C. Duilius, on occasion of his victory over the Carthaginian fleet, B. C. 261.



Columna Rostrata.



Columna Trajana.

Columns were also employed to commemorate the dead. The column on the right hand in the last woodcut exhibits that which the senate erected to the honour of the Emperor Trajan. Similar columns were erected to the memory of many of the Roman emperors.

COMA (κόμη), the hair of the head.

In very early times the Romans wore their hair long, and hence the Romans of the Augustan age designated their ancestors *intonsi*, and *capillati*. But this fashion did not last after the year B. C. 300. The women, too, dressed their hair with simplicity, at least un-

til the time of the emperors, and probably much in the same style as those of Greece; but at the Augustan period a variety of different head-dresses came into fashion.

Both Greeks and Romans had some peculiar customs connected with the growth of their hair. The Spartans combed and dressed their heads with especial care when about to encounter any great danger. The sailors of both nations shaved off their hair after an escape from shipwreck, or other heavy calamity, and dedicated it to the gods. In the earlier ages, the Greeks of both sexes cut their hair close in mourning; but subsequently this practice was confined to the women, the men leaving theirs long and neglected, as was the custom amongst the Romans.

In childhood, that is, up to the age of puberty, the hair of the males was suffered to grow long amongst both nations, when it was clipped and dedicated to some river or deity. At Athens this ceremony was performed on the third day of the festival Apaturia, which is therefore termed *κουρεῶτις*.

In both countries the slaves were shaved as a mark of servitude.

The vestal virgins also cut their hair short upon taking their vows; which rite still remains in the papal church, in which all females have their hair cut close upon taking the veil.

COMISSATIO (derived from *κῶμος*), the name of a drinking entertainment, which took place after the coena, from which, however, it must be distinguished.

The comissatio was frequently prolonged to a late hour at night, whence the verb *comissari* means "to revel," and the substantive *comissator* a "reveller," or "debauchee."

COMITIA, the public assemblies of the Roman people (from *com-eo* for *coco*), at which all the most important business of the state was transacted, such as the election of magistrates, the passing of laws, the declaration of war, the making of peace, and, in some cases, the trial of persons charged with public crimes. There were three kinds of *comitia*, according to the three different divisions of the Roman people.

I. The COMITIA CURIATA, or assembly of the *curiae*, the institution of which is assigned to Romulus.

II. The COMITIA CENTURIATA, or assembly of the centuries, in which the people gave their votes according to the classification instituted by Servius Tullius.

III. The COMITIA TRIBUTA, or assembly of the people according to their division into the local tribes. The first two required the authority of the senate, and could not be held with

out taking the auspices; the *comitia tributa* did not require these sanctions.

I. *COMITIA CURIATA*. This primitive assembly of the Romans originated at a time when there was no second order of the state. It was a meeting of the *populus*, or original burgesses, assembled in their tribes of houses, and no member of the *plebs* could vote at such a meeting. The ancient *populus* of Rome consisted of two tribes—the *Ramnes* or *Ramnenses* and the *Titienses* or *Tities*, called after the two patronymic heroes of the state *Romus*, *Remus*, or *Romulus*, and *Titus Tatius*; to which was subsequently added a third tribe, the *Luceres* or *Lucerenses*. The *Ramnes* are supposed to have been the Romans proper, the *Tities*, Sabines, and the *Luceres*, Latins or of a Tyrrhenian stock.

The three original tribes of the *populus* or *patres* were divided into thirty *curiae*, and each of these into ten *gentes* or houses; and this number of the *gentes* also corresponded to the number of councillors who represented them in the senate, which consisted of 300 members.

The *comitia curiata* were thus the assembly of the original patricians, in which they voted by *curiae*. This assembly was chiefly held for confirming some ordinance of the senate: no matter could be brought before them except by the authority of the senate; and with regard to elections and laws, they had merely the power of confirming or rejecting what the senate had already decreed. After the establishment of the *comitia centuriata*, the two principal reasons for summoning the *comitia curiata* were, either the passing of a *lex curiata de imperio*, or the elections of priests. The *lex curiata de imperio* was necessary in order to confer upon the dictator, consuls, and other magistrates, *imperium* or military command; without this they had only a *potestas* or civil authority, and were not allowed to meddle with military affairs. The *comitia curiata* were also held for the purpose of carrying into effect the form of adoption called *adrogatio*, for the confirmation of wills, and for the ceremony called *detestatio sacrorum*. They were held in that part of the forum which was called *comitium*, and where the tribunal (*suggestum*) stood. The patrician magistrates properly held the *comitia curiata*; or, if the question to be proposed had relation to sacred rights, the pontifices presided. As the popular element in the Roman state increased in power and importance, and the plebeians came to be placed on a footing of political equality with the patricians, the meetings of the *comitia curiata* were little more than a matter of form: their suffrages were represented by the thirty lictors of

the *curiae*, whose duty it was to summon the *curiae* when the meetings actually took place, just as the classes in the *comitia centuriata* were summoned by a trumpeter (*cornicen* or *classicus*). Hence, when the *comitia curiata* were held for the inauguration of a flamen, for the making of a will, &c., they were called specially the *comitia calata*, or “the summoned assembly.”

II. The *COMITIA CENTURIATA*, or, as they were sometimes called, the *comitia majora*, were a result of the constitution generally attributed to Servius Tullius, the sixth king of Rome. The object of this legislator seems to have been to unite in one body the *populus* or patricians—the old burgesses of the three tribes, and the *plebs*, or the commonalty who had grown up by their side; and to give the chief weight in the state to wealth and numbers, rather than to birth and family pretensions. With a view to this he formed a plan by virtue of which the people would vote on all important questions according to their equipments when on military service, and according to the position which they occupied in the great phalanx or army of the city: in other words, according to their property; for it was this which enabled them to equip themselves according to the prescribed method. In many of the Greek states the heavy armed soldiers were identical with the citizens possessing the full franchise; and instances occur in Greek history when the privileged classes have lost their prerogatives, from putting the arms of a full citizen into the hands of the commonalty; so that the principle which regulated the votes in the state by the arrangement of the army of the state, was not peculiar to the constitution of Servius. This arrangement considered the whole state as forming a regular army, with its cavalry, heavy-armed infantry, reserve, carpenters, musicians, and baggage-train. The cavalry included, first, the six equestrian centuries, or the *sex suffragia*, which consisted exclusively of patricians, who had the requisite amount of property; to which were added twelve centuries of plebeian knights, selected from the richest members of the commonalty. The foot-soldiers were organized in the following five classes:—1. Those whose property was at least 100,000 *asses* or pounds' weight of copper. They were equipped in a complete suit of bronze armour. In order to give their wealth and importance its proper political influence, they were reckoned as forming 80 centuries; namely, 40 of young men (*juniores*) from 17 to 45, and 40 of older men (*seniores*) of 45 years and upwards. 2. Those whose property was above 75,000 and under 100,000

asses, and who were equipped with the wooden *scutum* instead of the bronze *clipeus*, but had no coat of mail. They made up 20 centuries, 10 of *juniore*s and 10 of *seniore*s. 3. Those whose property was above 50,000 *asses* and below 75,000, and who had neither coat of mail nor graves. They consisted of the same number of centuries as the second class, similarly divided into *juniore*s and *seniore*s. 4. Those whose property was above 25,000 *asses* and below 50,000, and who were armed with the pike and javelin only. This class also contained 20 centuries. 5. Those whose property was between 12,500 and 25,000 *asses*, and who were armed with slings and darts. They formed 30 centuries. The first four classes composed the phalanx: the fifth class, the light-armed infantry. Those citizens whose property fell short of the qualification for the fifth class were reckoned as supernumeraries. Of these there were two centuries of the *accensi* and *velati*, whose property exceeded 1500 *asses*; one century of the *proletarii*, whose property was under 1500 *asses* and above 375; and one century of the *capite-censi*, whose property fell short of 375 *asses*. All these centuries were classed according to their property: but besides these, there were three centuries which were classed according to their occupation; the *fabri* or carpenters, attached to the centuries of the first class; the *cornicines* or horn-blowers, and the *tubicines* or *liticines*, the trumpeters, who were reckoned with the fourth class. Thus there would be in all 195 centuries, 18 of cavalry, 140 of heavy infantry, 30 of light infantry, 4 of reserve and camp-followers, and 3 of smiths and musicians. In voting it was intended to give the first class and the knights a preponderance over the rest of the centuries, and this was effected as we have just mentioned; for the first class, with the knights and the *fabri*, amounted to 99 centuries, and the last four classes, with the supernumeraries and musicians, to 96 centuries, who were thus outvoted by the others, even though they themselves were unanimous. Even if we suppose that the *fabri* were expected to vote rather with the lower classes than with the first class, to which they were assigned, the first class, with the knights, would still have a majority of one century. The same principle was observed when the army was serving in the field. As the centuries of *seniore*s consisted of persons beyond the military age, the *juniore*s alone are to be taken into the account here. The first class sent its 40 centuries of *juniore*s, of which 30 formed the *principes* and 10 were posted among the *triarii*, who probably owed their name to the fact that they were made

up out of all the three heavy-armed classes; the second and third classes furnished 20 centuries apiece, *i. e.* twice the number of their junior votes, and 10 from each class stood among the *triarii*, the rest being *hastati* with shields; the fourth class supplied 10 centuries, the number of its junior votes, who formed the *hastati* without shields; the fifth class furnished 30 centuries, twice the number of its junior votes, who formed the thirty centuries of *rorarii*. To these were added 10 *turmae* of cavalry, or 300 men. This was the division and arrangement of the army as a legion. But when it was necessary to vote in the camp, they would of course revert to the principles which regulated the division of the classes for the purpose of voting at home, and would reunite the double contingents. In this way, we have 85 centuries of junior votes, or 90 with the five unclassed centuries. Of these, the first class with the *fabri* formed 41 centuries, leaving 49 for the other centuries; but with the first class the 10 *turmae* of the cavalry would also be reckoned as 10 centuries, and the first class would have 51, thus exceeding the other moiety by 2.

The *comitia centuriata* were held in the *campus Martius* without the city, where they met as the *exercitus urbanus* or army of the city; and, in reference to their military organization, they were summoned by the sound of the horn, and not by the voice of the *lictors*, as was the case with the *comitia curiata*.

On the connection of this division into centuries with the registration of persons and property, see CENSORS and CENSUS. The general causes of assembling the *comitia centuriata* were, to create magistrates, to pass laws, and to decide capital causes when the offence had reference to the whole nation, and not merely to the rights of a particular order. They were summoned by the king, or by the magistrates in the republic who represented some of his functions, that is by the dictator, consuls, praetors, and, in the case of creating magistrates, by the interrex also. The praetors could only hold the *comitia* in the absence of the consuls, or, if these were present, only with their permission. The consuls held the *comitia* for the appointment of their successors, of the praetors, and of the censors. It was necessary that seventeen days' notice should be given before the *comitia* were held. This interval was called a *trinumidinum*, or "the space of three market-days" (*tres mundinae*, "three ninth-days"), because the country people came to Rome to buy and sell every *ninth*, or rather every eighth day, according to our mode of reckoning, and spent the interval of

seven days in the country. The first step in holding the comitia was to take the auspices. The presiding officer, accompanied by one of the augurs (*augure adhibito*), pitched a tent (*tabernaculum cepit*) without the city, for the purpose of observing the auspices. If the tent was not pitched in due form, all the proceedings of the comitia were utterly vitiated, and a magistrate elected at them was compelled to abdicate his office. The comitia might also be broken off by a tempest; by the intercession of a tribune; if the standard, which was set up in the janiculum, was taken down; or if any one was seized with the epilepsy, which was from this circumstance called the *morbus comitialis*.

The first step taken at the *comitia centuriata* was for the magistrate who held them to repeat the words of a form of prayer after the augur. Then, in the case of an election, the candidates' names were read, or, in the case of a law or a trial, the proceedings or bills were read by a herald, and different speakers were heard on the subject. The question was put to them with the interrogation, *Velitis, jubeatis, Quirites?* Hence the bill was called *rogatio*, and the people were said *jubere legem*. The form of commencing the poll was:—"Si vobis videtur, discedite, Quirites;" or "Ite in suffragium, bene jurantibus diis, et quae patres censuerunt, vos jubete." The order in which the centuries voted was decided by lot; and that which gave its vote first was called the *centuria praerogativa*. The rest were called *jure vocatae*. In ancient times the people were polled, as at our elections, by word of mouth. But at a later period the ballot was introduced by a set of special enactments (the *leges tabellariae*), having reference to the different objects in voting. These laws were, 1. The Gabinian law, introduced by Gabinus, the tribune, in B. C. 139. 2. The Cassian law, B. C. 137. 3. The Papirian law introduced by C. Papirius Carbo, the tribune, in B. C. 131. 4. The Caelian law, B. C. 107. In voting, the centuries were summoned in order into a boarded enclosure (*septum* or *ovile*), into which they entered by a narrow passage (*pons*) slightly raised from the ground. There was probably a different enclosure for each century, for the Roman authors generally speak of them in the plural. The *tabellae* with which they had to ballot were given to the citizens at the entrance of the *pons* by certain officers, called *rogatores*, because they used, before the ballot was introduced, to ask (*rogare*) each century for its vote, and here intimidation was often practised. If the business of the day were an election, the *tabellae* had the initials of the candidates. If it were

the passing or rejection of a law, each voter received two *tabellae*: one inscribed *U. R.*, i. e. *uti rogas*, "I vote for the law;" the other inscribed *A.*, i. e. *antiquo*, "I am for the old law." The *tabellae* were thrown into the *cistae*, or ballot-boxes [*CISTA*]; and when the voting was finished, the *rogatores* collected the *tabellae*, and handed them over to other officers, called *diribitores*, who divided the votes, while a third class of officers, termed *custodes*, checked them off by points (*puncta*) marked on a tablet. Hence *punctum* is used metaphorically to signify "a vote." The *rogatores*, *diribitores*, and *custodes* were generally friends of the candidates, who voluntarily undertook these duties. But Augustus selected 900 of the equestrian order to perform these offices.

The acceptance of a law by the *centuriata comitia* did not acquire full force till after it had been sanctioned by the *comitia curiata* [but see *LEX PUBLILIA*], except in the case of a capital offence against the whole nation, when they decided alone.

III. THE COMITIA TRIBUTA were not established till B. C. 491, when the plebs had acquired some considerable influence in the state. They were an assembly of the people according to the local tribes, into which the plebs was originally divided: for the plebs or commonalty took its rise from the formation of a domain or territory, and the tribes of the commonalty were necessarily local, that is, they had regions corresponding to each of them; therefore, when the territory diminished the number of these tribes diminished also. Now, according to Fabius, there were originally 30 tribes of plebeians, that is, as many plebeian tribes as there were patrician *curiae*. These 30 tribes consisted of 4 urban and 26 rustic tribes. But at the admission of the Crustumine tribe, when App. Claudius with his numerous train of clients migrated to Rome, there were only 20 of these tribes. So that probably the cession of a third of the territory to Porsena also diminished the number of tribes by one-third. [TRIBUS.]

Such being the nature of the plebeian tribes, no qualification of birth or property was requisite to enable a citizen to vote in the *comitia tributa*; whoever belonged to a given region, and was in consequence registered in the corresponding tribe, had a vote at these comitia. They were summoned by the *tribuni plebis*, who were also the presiding magistrates, if the purpose for which they were called was the election of tribunes or aediles; but consuls or praetors might preside at the *comitia tributa*, if they were called for the election of other inferior magistrates, such as the quaes-

tor, proconsul, or propraetor, who were also elected at these comitia. The place of meeting was not fixed. It might be the *campus Martius*, as in the case of the comitia centuriata, the *forum*, or the *circus Flaminius*. Their judicial functions were confined to cases of lighter importance. They could not decide in those which related to capital offences. In their legislative capacity they passed *plebiscita*, or "decrees of the *plebs*," which were originally binding only on themselves. At last, however, the *plebiscita* were placed on the same footing with the *leges*, by the *Lex Hortensia* (b. c. 288), and from this time they could pass whatever legislative enactments they pleased, without or against the authority of the senate. The influence of the *comitia tributa*, however, was more directed towards the internal affairs of the state and the rights of the people, while the *comitia centuriata* exercised their power more in relation to the foreign and external relations of the state, although towards the end of the republic this distinction gradually vanished.

The comitia centuriata were, as we have seen, in reality an aristocratic, or, as the Greeks would say, a timocratic assembly, since the equites and the first class, by the great number of their centuries, exercised such an influence, that the votes of the other classes scarcely came into consideration. Now as patricians and plebeians had gradually become united into one body of Roman citizens with almost equal powers, the necessity must sooner or later have become manifest that a change should be introduced into the constitution of the comitia of the centuries in favour of the democratic principle, which in all other parts of the government was gaining the upper hand. The object of this change was perhaps to form the two comitia, centuriata and tributa, into one great national assembly. But this did not take place. A change, however, was introduced in favour of the democratic principle; but the exact nature of this change it is almost impossible to determine. The time at which it was introduced is likewise uncertain; but it is clear that it did not take place till after the time when the number of the thirty-five tribes was completed, that is, after the year b. c. 241, perhaps in the censorship of C. Flaminius (b. c. 220), who is said by Polybius to have made the constitution more democratical. With respect to the nature of the alteration, so much is certain, that it consisted in an amalgamation of the centuries and the tribes; but we are not told in what way this amalgamation was made. In the absence of all positive testimony, the follow-

ing may be taken as a probable view of the change which was effected.

The five classes instituted by Servius Tullius continued to exist, and were divided into centuries of *seniores* and *juniores*; but the classes were in the closest connection with the thirty-five tribes, while formerly the tribes existed entirely independent of the census. In this amalgamation of the classes and the tribes the centuries formed subdivisions of both; they were parts of the tribes as well as of the classes. There were perhaps 350 centuries in the thirty-five tribes, and the senators and equites voted in the first class of each tribe, as *seniores* and *juniores*. The centuries of *fabri* and *cornicines* are no longer mentioned, and the *capite censi* voted in the fifth class of the fourth city tribe. Each century in a tribe had one suffragium, and each tribe contained ten centuries, two (*seniores* and *juniores*) of each of the five classes. The equites were comprised in the first class, and voted with it, and were, perhaps, called the centuries of the first class. The mode of voting remained, on the whole, the same as in the former comitia centuriata. The equites voted with the senators, but the former usually among the *juniores*, and the latter among the *seniores*. The following particulars, however, are to be observed. We read of a *praerogativa* in these assemblies, and this might be understood either as a *tribus praerogativa*, or a *centuria praerogativa*. But as we know that the votes were given according to centuries, and according to tribes only in cases when there was no difference of opinion among the centuries of the same tribe, we are led to conclude that the *praerogativa* was a century taken by lot from all the seventy centuries of the first class, two of which were contained in each of the thirty-five tribes, and that all the centuries of the first class gave their votes first, that is, after the *praerogativa*. From the plural form *praerogativae*, it is moreover inferred that it consisted of two centuries, and that the two centuries of the first class contained in the same tribe voted together. The century of the first class drawn by lot to be the *praerogativa* was usually designated by the name of the tribe to which it belonged, e. g. *Galeria juniorum*, that is, the *juniores* of the first class in the *tribus Galeria*. C. Gracchus wished to make the mode of appointing the *centuria praerogativa* more democratical, and proposed that it should be drawn from all the five classes indiscriminately; but this proposal was not accepted. When the *praerogativa* had voted, the result was announced (*renuntiare*), and the other centuries then deliberated whe-

ther they should vote the same way or not. After this was done, all the centuries of the first class voted simultaneously, and not one after another, as the space of one day would otherwise not have been sufficient. Next voted in the same manner all the centuries of the second, then those of the third class, and so on, until all the centuries of all the classes had voted. The simultaneous voting of all the centuries of one class is sometimes for this very reason expressed by *prima*, or *secunda classis vocatur*. When all the centuries of one class had voted, the result was announced. It seems to have happened sometimes that all the centuries of one tribe voted the same way, and in such cases it was convenient to count the votes according to tribes instead of according to centuries.

The *comitia tributa* in the latter days of the republic acquired supreme importance, though the *comitia centuriata*, with their altered and more democratical constitution, still continued to exist, and preserved a great part of their former power along with the *comitia* of the tribes. During this time the latter appear to have been chiefly attended by the populace, which was guided by the tribunes, and the wealthier and more respectable citizens had little influence in them. When the *libertini* and all the Italians were incorporated in the old thirty-five tribes, and when the political corruption had reached its height, no trace of the sedate and moderate character was left by which the *comitia tributa* had been distinguished in former times. Violence and bribery became the order of the day, and the needy multitude lent willing ears to any instigations coming from wealthy bribers and tribunes who were mere demagogues. Sulla for a time did away with these odious proceedings; since, according to some, he abolished the *comitia tributa* altogether, or, according to others, deprived them of the right of electing the sacerdotes, and of all their legislative and judicial powers. But the constitution, such as it had existed before Sulla, was restored soon after his death by Pompey and others, with the exception of the *iurisdictio*, which was for ever taken from the people by the legislation of Sulla. The people suffered another loss in the dictatorship of J. Caesar, who decided upon peace and war himself in connection with the senate. He had also the whole of the legislation in his hands, through his influence with the magistrates and the tribunes. The people thus retained nothing but the election of magistrates; but even this power was much limited, as Caesar had the right to appoint half of the magistrates himself, with the ex-

ception of the consuls, and as in addition to this, he recommended to the people those candidates whom he wished to be elected; and who would have opposed his wish? Under Augustus the *comitia* still sanctioned new laws and elected magistrates, but their whole proceedings were a mere farce, for they could not venture to elect any other persons than those recommended by the emperor. Tiberius deprived the people even of this delusive power, and conferred the power of election upon the senate. When the elections were made by the senate the result was announced to the people assembled as *comitia centuriata* or *tributa*. Legislation was taken away from the *comitia* entirely, and was completely in the hands of the senate and the emperor. From this time the *comitia* may be said to have ceased to exist, as all the sovereign power formerly possessed by the people was conferred upon the emperor by the *lex regia*. [LEX REGIA.] The people only assembled in the *campus Martius* for the purpose of receiving information as to who had been elected or appointed as its magistrates, until at last even this announcement (*renuntiatio*) appears to have ceased.

COMMEATUS, a furlough, or leave of absence from the army for a certain time.

COMMENTARIUS or COMMENTARIUM, a book of memoirs or memorandum-book, whence the expression *Caesaris Commentarii*. It is also used for a lawyer's brief, the notes of a speech, &c.

COMMERCIUM. [CIVITAS (ROMAN).] COMPITALIA, also called LUDI COMPITALICII, a festival celebrated once a year in honour of the lares compitales, to whom sacrifices were offered at the places where two or more ways met. In the time of Augustus, the *ludi compitalicii* had gone out of fashion, but were restored by him.

The *compitalia* belonged to the *feriae conceptivae*, that is, festivals which were celebrated on days appointed annually by the magistrates or priests. The exact day on which this festival was celebrated appears to have varied, though it was always in the winter, generally at the beginning of January.

CONFARREATIO. [MATRIMONIUM.]

CONGIARIUM (*scil. vas, from congius*), a vessel containing a *congius*. [CONGIUS.]

In the early times of the Roman republic the *congius* was the usual measure of oil or wine which was, on certain occasions, distributed among the people; and thus *congiarium* became a name for liberal donations to the people, in general, whether consisting of oil, wine, corn, money, or other things, while donations made to the soldiers were called

donativa, though they were sometimes also termed *congiaria*. *Congiarium* was, moreover, occasionally used simply to designate a present or pension given by a person of high rank, or a prince, to his friends.

CONGIUS, a Roman liquid measure, which contained six sextarii, or the eighth part of the amphora (= 5.9471 pints Eng.). It was equal to the larger *chous* of the Greeks.

CONNUBIUM. [MATRIMONIUM.]

CONQUISITORĒS, persons employed to go about the country and impress soldiers, when there was a difficulty in completing a levy. Sometimes commissioners were appointed by a decree of the senate for the purpose of making a *conquisitio*.

CONSANGUINEI. [COGNATI.]

CONSECRATIO. [APOTHEOSIS.]

CONSILIUM. [CONVENTUS.]

CONSUALIA, a festival, with games, celebrated by the Romans, according to Ovid and others, in honour of Consus, the god of secret deliberations, or, according to Livy, of Neptunus Equestris. Some writers, however, say that Neptunus Equestris and Consus were only different names for one and the same deity. It was solemnized every year in the circus, by the symbolical ceremony of uncovering an altar dedicated to the god, which was buried in the earth. For Romulus, who was considered as the founder of the festival, was said to have discovered an altar in the earth on that spot. The solemnity took place on the 21st of August with horse and chariot races, and libations were poured into the flames which consumed the sacrifices. During these festive games horses and mules were not allowed to do any work, and were adorned with garlands of flowers. It was at their first celebration that, according to the ancient legend, the Sabine maidens were carried off.

CONSUL (*ὑπατορ*), the title of the two chief officers or magistrates of the Roman republic. The word is probably composed of *con* and *sul*, which contains the same root as the verb *salio*, so that consules signifies "those who come together," just as *praesul* means "one who goes before," and *exsul*, "one who goes out." The consulship is said to have been instituted upon the expulsion of the kings in B. C. 509, when the kingly power was transferred to two magistrates, whose office lasted only for one year, that it might not degenerate into tyranny by being vested longer in the same persons; and for the same reason two were appointed instead of one king, as neither could undertake anything unless it was sanctioned and approved by his colleague. Their original title was *prætores*, or commanders of the armies, but this was changed into that of

consules in B. C. 449, and the latter title remained in use until the latest periods of the Roman empire. The consuls were at first elected from the patricians exclusively. Their office was suspended in B. C. 451, and its functions were performed by ten high commissioners (*decemviri*), appointed to frame a code of laws. On the re-establishment of the consulship, in B. C. 449, the tribunes proposed that one of the consuls should be chosen from the plebeians, but this was strenuously resisted by the patricians, and a compromise effected by suspending the consular office, and creating in its stead military tribunes (*tribuni militum*) with consular power, who might be elected indifferently both from the patricians and plebeians. They were first appointed in B. C. 444. The plebeians, however, were not satisfied with this concession, and still endeavoured to attain the higher dignity of the consulship. At length after a serious and long-protracted struggle between the two orders, it was enacted by the Licinian law, in B. C. 367, that henceforth the consulship should be divided between the patricians and plebeians, and that one of the consuls should always be a plebeian. Accordingly, in B. C. 366, L. Sextius was elected the first plebeian consul. This law, however, was not always observed, and it still frequently happened that both consuls were patricians, until, in later times, when the difference between the two orders had entirely ceased, and the plebeians were on a footing of perfect equality with the patricians, the consuls were elected from both orders indiscriminately.

During the later periods of the republic it was customary for persons to pass through several subordinate magistracies before they were elected consuls, though this rule was departed from in many particular cases. The age at which a person was eligible to the consulship was fixed in B. C. 180, by the *lex annalis* [LEX ANNALIS] at 43. The election of the consuls always took place in the *comitia* of the centuries, sometime before the expiration of the official year of the actual consuls, and the election was conducted either by the actual consuls themselves, or by an *interrex* or a dictator, and the persons elected, until they entered upon their office, were called *consules designati*. While they were *designati*, they were in reality no more than private persons, but still they might exercise considerable influence upon public affairs, for in the senate they were asked for their opinion first. If they had been guilty of any illegal act, either before or during their election, such as bribery (*ambitus*) they were liable to prosecution, and the election might be declared void.

The time at which the old consuls laid down their office and the consules designati entered upon theirs, differed at different times. The first consuls are said to have entered upon their office in October, then we find mention of the 1st of August, of the ides of December, the 1st of July, and very frequently of the ides of March, until, in B.C. 153, it became an established rule for the consuls to enter upon their duties on the 1st of January; and this custom remained down to the end of the republic. On that day the senators, equites, and citizens of all classes conducted in a procession (*eductio* or *processus consularis*) the new magistrates from their residence to the capitol, where, if the auspices were favourable, the consuls offered up sacrifices, and were inaugurated. Thence the procession went to the curia, where the senate assembled, and where the consuls returned thanks for their election. There they might also speak on any subject that was of importance to the republic, such as peace and war, the distribution of provinces, the general condition of the state, the *feriae Latinae*, and the like. During the first five days of their office they had to convoke a *comitia*, and publicly to take a solemn oath, by which in the earliest times, they pledged themselves not to allow any one to assume regal power at Rome, but afterwards only to maintain the laws of the republic (*in leges jurare*). On the expiration of their office they had to take another oath, stating that they had faithfully obeyed the laws, and not done anything against the constitution. The new consuls on entering upon their office usually invited their friends to a banquet. When a consul died during his year of office, his colleague immediately convoked the *comitia* to elect a new one. A consul thus elected to fill a vacancy was called *consul suffectus*, but his powers were not equal to those of an ordinary consul, for he could not preside at the elections of other magistrates, not even in the case of the death of his colleague. In the latter case, as well as when the consuls were prevented by illness or other circumstances, the *comitia* were held by an *interrex* or a dictator.

The outward distinctions of the consuls were, with few exceptions, the same as those which had formerly belonged to the kings. The principal distinction indicative of their imperium were the twelve lictors with the *fascēs*, who, however, preceded the consuls only when they were out of the city. This outward sign of their power was taken by the consuls in turn every month, and while one consul was preceded by the twelve lictors with their *fascēs*, the other was during the same month preceded by an *accensus*, and fol-

lowed by the lictors; and the one was called during that month *consul major*, and the other *consul minor*. Other distinctions of the consuls were the curule chair (*sella curulis*), and the toga with the purple hem (*toga praetexta*). The ivory sceptre (*scipio* or *sceptrum*) and purple toga were not distinctions of the consuls in general, but only when they celebrated a triumph. Under the empire a consul was sometimes distinguished by the senate with a sceptre bearing an eagle on the top, but his regular ensigns consisted of the *toga picta*, the *trabea*, and the *fascēs*, both within and without the city.

The consuls were the highest ordinary magistrates at Rome. Their power was at first quite equal to that of the kings, except that it was limited to one year, and that the office of high priest, which had been vested in the king, was at the very beginning detached from the consulship, and given to the *rex sacrorum* or *rex sacrificulus*. The *auspicia majora*, however, continued to belong to the consuls. This regal power of the consuls, however, was gradually curtailed by various laws, especially by the institution of the tribunes of the plebs, whose province it was to protect the plebeians against the unjust or oppressive commands of the patrician magistrates. Nay, in the course of time, whole branches of the consular power were detached from it; the reason for which was, that, as the patricians were compelled to allow the plebeians a share in the highest magistracy, they stripped it of as much of its original power as they could, and reserved these detached portions for themselves. In this manner the censorship was detached from the consulship in B.C. 443, and the praetorship in B.C. 367. But notwithstanding all this, the consuls remained the highest magistrates, and all other magistrates, except the tribunes of the plebs, were obliged to obey their commands, and show them great outward respect.

The functions of the consuls during the time of the republic may be conveniently described under the following heads:—1. They were in all civil matters the heads of the state, being invested with the imperium, which emanated from the sovereign people, and which they held during the time of their office. In this capacity they had the right of convoking both the senate and the assembly of the people; they presided in each (in the *comitia* of the *curies* as well as in those of the centuries), and they took care that the resolutions of the senate and people were carried into effect. They might also convoke *contiones*, whenever they thought it necessary. In the senate

they conducted the discussions, and put the questions to the vote, thus exercising the greatest influence upon all matters which were brought before the senate either by themselves or by others. When a decree was passed by the senate, the consuls were usually commissioned to see that it was carried into effect; though there are also instances of the consuls opposing a decree of the senate.

2. The supreme command of the armies belonged to the consuls alone by virtue of their imperium. Accordingly, when a war was decreed, they were ordered by a *senatus consultum* to levy the troops, whose number was determined by the senate, and they appointed most of the other military officers. While at the head of their armies they had full power of life and death over their soldiers, who, on their enrolment, had to take an oath (*sacramentum*) to be faithful and obedient to the commands of the consuls. When the consuls had entered upon their office, the senate assigned them their provinces, that is, their spheres of action, and the consuls either settled between themselves which province each was to have, or, which was more common, they drew lots. Usually one consul remained at Rome, while the other went out at the head of the army; sometimes both left the city, and carried on war in different quarters; and sometimes, when the danger was very pressing, both consuls commanded the armies against one and the same enemy. If it was deemed advisable, the imperium of one or both consuls was prolonged for the particular province in which they were engaged, in which case they had the title of proconsuls [PROCONSUL], and their successors either remained at Rome or were engaged in other quarters. During the latter period of the republic the consuls remained at Rome during the time of their office, and on its expiration they had a foreign province (in the real sense of the word) assigned to them, where they undertook either the peaceful administration, or carried on war against internal or external enemies. While in their provinces, the consuls and proconsuls had the power of life and death over the provincials, for they were looked upon in their provinces as the chief military commanders; and the provincials, being *peregrini*, did not enjoy the privileges of Roman citizens.

3. The supreme jurisdiction was part of the consular imperium, and as such vested in the consuls so long as there were no praetors. In civil cases they administered justice to the patricians as well as plebeians, either themselves as *judices*, or appointing others as *judices* and *arbitri*. In criminal cases there

appears from early times to have been this difference: that patricians charged with capital offences were tried by the curies, while the plebeians came under the jurisdiction of the consuls, whose power, however, was in this case rather limited, partly by the intercession of the tribunes of the people, and partly by the right of appeal (*provocatio*) from the sentence of the consuls. The consuls might, further, summon any citizen before their tribunal, and, in case of disobedience, seize him (*prendere*), and fine him to a certain amount. After the institution of the praetorship, the consuls no longer possessed any regular ordinary jurisdiction; and whenever they exercised it, it was an exception to the general custom, and only by a special command of the senate.

4. Previous to the institution of the censorship the consuls had to perform all the functions which afterwards belonged to the censors: they were accordingly the highest officers of finance, held the census, drew up the lists of the senators, equites, &c. After the establishment of the censorship they still retained the general superintendence of the public economy, inasmuch as they had the keys of the *aerarium*, and as the quaestors or paymasters were dependent on them. But still in the management of the finances the consuls were at all times under the control of the senate.

5. In all relations with foreign states the consuls were the representatives of the Roman republic. Hence they might conclude peace or treaties with foreign nations, which had, however, to be sanctioned by the senate and people at Rome; and unless this sanction was obtained a treaty was void. They received foreign ambassadors, and introduced them into the senate, and in short all negotiations with foreign princes or nations passed through their hands.

6. In matters connected with their own official functions, the consuls, like all other magistrates, had the power of issuing proclamations or orders (*edicta*), which might be binding either for the occasion only, or remain in force permanently.

Although the consular power had been gradually diminished, it was in cases of imminent danger restored to its original and full extent, by a decree of the senate calling upon the consuls *videant ne quid res publica detrimenti capiat*. In such cases the consuls received sovereign power, but they were responsible for the manner in which they had exercised it.

It has already been observed, that to avoid collision and confusion, the two consuls did not possess the same power at the same time,

but that each had the imperium every other month. The one who possessed it, as the *consul major*, exercised all the rights of the office, though he always consulted his colleague. In the earliest times it was customary for the elder of the two consuls to take the imperium first, afterwards the one who had had the greater number of votes at the election, and had therefore been proclaimed (*renuntiare*) first. In the time of Augustus it was enacted that the consul who had most children should take precedence of the other; and some distinction of rank continued to be observed down to the latest times of the empire. Towards the end of the republic the consulship lost its power and importance. The first severe blow it received was from Julius Caesar, the dictator, for he received the consulship in addition to his dictatorship, or he arbitrarily ordered others to be elected, who were mere nominal officers, and were allowed to do nothing without his sanction. He himself was elected consul at first for five, then for ten years, and at last for life. Under Augustus the consulship was a mere shadow of what it had been: the consuls no longer held their office for a whole year, but usually for a few months only; and hence it happened that sometimes one year saw six, twelve, or even twenty-five consuls. Those who were elected the first in the year ranked higher than the rest, and their names alone were used to mark the year, according to the ancient custom of the Romans of marking the date of an event by the names of the consuls of the year in which the event occurred. During the last period of the empire it became the practice to have titular or honorary consuls, who were elected by the senate and confirmed by the emperor. Constantine appointed two consuls, one for Rome and another for Constantinople, who held their office for a whole year, and whose functions were only those of chief justices. All the other consuls were designated as *honorarii* or *consulares*. But though the consulship had thus become almost an empty title, it was still regarded as the highest dignity in the empire, and as the object of the greatest ambition. It was connected with very great expenses, partly on account of the public games which a consul had to provide, and partly on account of the large donations he had to make to the people. The last consul at Rome was Decimus Theodorus Paulinus, A. D. 536, and at Constantinople, Flavius Basilus, junior, A. D. 541.

CONSULARIS, signified under the republic, a person who had held the office of consul, but under the empire, it was the title of many magistrates and public officers, who en-

joyed the insignia of consular dignity, without having filled the office of consul. Thus we find commanders of armies and governors of provinces called *Consulares* under the empire.

CONTUBERNALES (σύσκηνοί), signified originally men who served in the same army and lived in the same tent. The word is derived from *taberna* (afterwards *tabernaculum*), which was the original name for a military tent, as it was made of boards (*tabulae*). Each tent was occupied by ten soldiers (*contubernales*); with a subordinate officer at their head, who was called *decanus*, and in later times *caput contubernii*.

Young Romans of illustrious families used to accompany a distinguished general on his expeditions, or to his province, for the purpose of gaining under his superintendence a practical training in the art of war, or in the administration of public affairs, and were, like soldiers living in the same tent, called his *contubernales*.

In a still wider sense, the name *contubernales* was applied to persons connected by ties of intimate friendship, and living under the same roof; and hence, when a free man and a slave, or two slaves, who were not allowed to contract a legal marriage, lived together as husband and wife, they were called *contubernales*: and their connection, as well as their place of residence, *contubernium*.

CONTUBERNIUM. [CONTUBERNALES.]
CONVENIRE IN MANU. [MATRIMONIUM.]

CONVENTUS, was the name applied to the whole body of Roman citizens who were either permanently or for a time settled in a province. In order to facilitate the administration of justice, a province was divided into a number of districts or circuits, each of which was called *conventus*, *forum*, or *jurisdictio*. Roman citizens living in a province were entirely under the jurisdiction of the proconsul; and at certain times of the year, fixed by the proconsul, they assembled in the chief town of the district, and this meeting bore the name of *conventus* (σύνωδος). Hence the expressions —*conventus agere, peragere, convocare, dimittere*. At this *conventus* litigant parties applied to the proconsul, who selected a number of judges from the *conventus* to try their causes. The proconsul himself presided at the trials, and pronounced the sentence according to the views of the judges, who were his assessors (*consilium* or *consiliarii*). These *conventus* appear to have been generally held after the proconsul had settled the military affairs of the province; at least, when Caesar was proconsul of Gaul, he made it a regular practice to

III. CORONA NAVALIS or ROSTRATA, called also CLASSICA. It is difficult to determine whether these were two distinct crowns, or only two denominations for the same one. It seems probable that the *navalis corona*, besides being a generic term, was inferior in dignity to the latter, and given to the sailor who first boarded an enemy's ship; whereas the *rostrata* was given to a commander who destroyed the whole fleet, or gained any very signal victory. At all events, they were both made of gold; and one at least (*rostrata*) decorated with the beaks of ships like the *rostra* in the forum.

The Athenians likewise bestowed golden crowns for naval services; sometimes upon the person who got his trireme first equipped, and at others upon the captain who had his vessel in the best order.

IV. CORONA MURALIS, was presented by the general to the first man who scaled the wall of a besieged city. It was made of gold, and decorated with turrets.

V. CORONA CASTRENSIS or VALLARIS, was presented to the first soldier who surmounted the *vallum*, and forced an entrance into the enemy's camp. This crown was made of gold, and ornamented with the palisades (*valli*) used in forming an entrenchment.

VI. CORONA TRIUMPHALIS. There were three sorts of triumphal crowns: the first was made of laurel or bay leaves, and was worn round the head of the commander during his triumph; the second was of gold, which, being too large and massive to be worn, was held over the head of the general during his triumph by a public officer. This crown, as well as the former one, was presented to the victorious general by his army. The third kind, likewise of gold and of great value, was sent as a present from the provinces to the commander. [AURUM CORONARIUM.]



Corona Triumphalis.

VII. CORONA OVALIS, was given to a commander who obtained only an ovation. It was made of myrtle.

VIII. CORONA OLEAGINA, was made of the olive leaf, and conferred upon the soldiers as well as their commanders.

The Greeks in general made but little use of crowns as rewards of valour in the earlier periods of their history, except as prizes in the athletic contests; but previous to the time of Alexander, crowns of gold were profusely distributed, amongst the Athenians at least, for every trifling feat, whether civil, naval, or military, which, though lavished without much discrimination as far as regards the character of the receiving parties, were still subjected to certain legal restrictions in respect of the time, place, and mode in which they were conferred. They could not be presented but in the public assemblies, and with the consent, that is by suffrage, of the people, or by the senators in their council, or by the *δημόται* to members of their own *δήμος*. According to the statement of Aeschines, the people could not lawfully present crowns in any place except in their assembly, nor the senators except in the senate-house; nor, according to the same authority, in the theatre, which is, however, denied by Demosthenes; nor at the public games, and if any crrier there proclaimed the crowns he was subject to *atimia*. Neither could any person holding an office receive a crown whilst he was *ὑπεύθυνος*, that is, before he had passed his accounts.

The second class of crowns were emblematical and not honorary, and the adoption of them was not regulated by law, but custom. Of these there were also several kinds.

I. CORONA SACERDOTALIS, was worn by the priests (*sacerdotes*), with the exception of the pontifex maximus and his minister (*camillus*), as well as the bystanders, when officiating at the sacrifice. It does not appear to have been confined to any one material.

II. CORONA FUNEBRIS and SEPULCHRALIS. The Greeks first set the example of crowning the dead with chaplets of leaves and flowers, which was imitated by the Romans. Garlands of flowers were also placed upon the bier, or scattered from the windows under which the procession passed, or entwined about the cinerary urn, or as a decoration to the tomb. In Greece these crowns were commonly made of parsley.

III. CORONA CONVIVIALIS. The use of chaplets at festive entertainments sprung likewise from Greece. They were of various shrubs and flowers, such as roses (which were the choicest), violets, myrtle, ivy, *philyra*, and even parsley.

IV. CORONA NUPTIALIS. The bridal wreath was also of Greek origin, among whom it was made of flowers plucked by the bride herself, and not bought, which was of ill omen. Amongst the Romans it was made of *vervæna*, also gathered by the bride herself, and worn under the *flammeum*, with which the bride was always enveloped. The bridegroom also wore a chaplet.

The doors of his house were likewise decorated with garlands, and also the bridal couch.

V. CORONA NATALITIA, the chaplet suspended over the door of the vestibule, both in the houses of Athens and Rome, in which a child was born. At Athens, when the infant was male, the crown was made of olive; when female, of wool. At Rome it was of laurel, ivy, or parsley.

CORTINA, the name of the table or hollow slab, supported by a tripod, upon which the priestess at Delphi sat to deliver her responses; and hence the word is used for the oracle itself. The Romans made tables of marble or bronze after the pattern of the Delphian tripod, which they used as we do our sideboards, for the purpose of displaying their plate at an entertainment. These were termed *cortinae Delphicae*, or *Delphicae* simply.

CORYMBUS (*κόρυμβος*) was a particular mode of wearing the hair amongst the Greek women; when worn in the same style by the men it was called *crobylus* (*κρωβύλος*). It consisted in the hair being drawn up all round the head from the front and back, and fastened in a bun on the top.

CORVUS, a sort of crane, used by C. Duilius against the Carthaginian fleet in the battle fought off Mylae, in Sicily (B.C. 260). The Romans, we are told, being unused to the sea, saw that their only chance of victory was by bringing a sea fight to resemble one on land. For this purpose they invented a machine, of which Polybius has left a minute description. In the fore part of the ship a round pole was fixed perpendicularly, twenty-four feet in height and about nine inches in diameter; at the top of this was a pivot, upon which a ladder was set, thirty-six feet in length and four in breadth. The ladder was guarded by cross-beams, fastened to the upright pole by a ring of wood, which turned with the pivot above. Along the ladder a rope was passed, one end of which took hold of the *corvus* by means of a ring. The *corvus* itself was a strong piece of iron, with a spike at the end, which was raised or lowered by drawing in or letting out the rope. When an enemy's ship drew near, the machine was turned outwards, by means of the pivot, in the direction

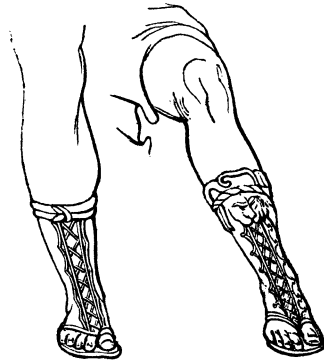
of the assailant. Another part of the machine was a breastwork, let down from the ladder, and serving as a bridge, on which to board the enemy's vessel. By means of these cranes the Carthaginian ships were either broken or closely locked with the Roman, and Duilius gained a complete victory.

CORYTOS or CORYTUS (*γυρντός, κωρντός*), a bow-case. This was worn suspended by a belt over the right shoulder, and it frequently held the arrows as well as the bow; whence it is often confounded with the *pharetra* or quiver.

COSMETAE, a class of slaves among the Romans, whose duty it was to dress and adorn ladies.

COSMI (*κοσμοί*), the supreme magistrates in Crete, were ten in number, and were chosen, not from the body of the people, but from certain *γένη* or houses, which were probably of more pure Doric or Achaian descent than their neighbours. The first of them in rank was called *protocosmus*, and gave his name to the year. They commanded in war, and also conducted the business of the state with the representatives and ambassadors of other cities. Their period of office was a year; but any of them during that time might resign, and was also liable to deposition by his colleagues. In some cases, too, they might be indicted for neglect of their duties. On the whole, we may conclude that they formed the executive and chief power in most of the cities of Crete.

COTHURNUS (*κόθορνος*), a boot. Its essential distinction was its height; it rose above the middle of the leg, so as to surround the calf, and sometimes it reached as high as



Cothurnus.

the knees. It was worn principally by horsemen, by hunters, and by men of rank and authority.

The sole of the cothurnus was commonly of the ordinary thickness; but it was sometimes made much thicker than usual, probably by the insertion of slices of cork. The object was, to add to the apparent stature of the wearer; and this was done in the case of the actors in Athenian tragedy, who had the soles made unusually thick as one of the methods adopted in order to magnify their whole appearance. Hence tragedy in general was called *cothurnus*.

As the cothurnus was commonly worn in hunting, it is represented as part of the costume of Diana. The preceding cut shows two cothurni, both taken from statues of Diana.

COTTABUS (κότταβος), a social game which was introduced from Sicily into Greece, where it became one of the favourite amusements of young people after their repasts. The simplest way in which it originally was played was this:—One of the company threw out of a goblet a certain quantity of wine, at a certain distance, into a metal basin. While he was doing this, he either thought of or pronounced the name of his mistress; and if all the wine fell in the basin, and with a full sound, it was a good sign for the lover. This simple amusement soon assumed a variety of different characters, and became in some instances, a regular contest, with prizes for the victor. One of the most celebrated modes in which it was carried on is called *δὲ δξυβά-φωv*. A basin was filled with water, with small empty cups (*δξυβάφα*) swimming upon it. Into these the young men, one after another, threw the remnant of the wine from their goblets, and he who had the good fortune to drown most of the bowls obtained the prize, consisting either of simple cakes, sweetmeats, or sesame-cakes.

COTYTTIA (κοττύτια) a festival which was originally celebrated by the Edonians of Thrace, in honour of a goddess called Cotys or Cottyto. It was held at night. The worship of Cotys, together with the festival of Cotytia, was adopted by several Greek states, chiefly those which were induced by their commercial interest to maintain friendly relations with Thrace. The festivals of this goddess were notorious among the ancients for the dissolute manner and the debaucheries with which they were celebrated.

COTYLA (κοτύλη), a measure of capacity among the Romans and Greeks: by the former it was also called *hemina*; by the latter, *τροβλίον* and *ημίνα* or *ημίμνα*. It was the

half of the sextarius or ξέστης, and contained 6 cyathi, = .4955 of a pint English.

COUCHES. [*LECTUS*.] Respecting their use for reclining on at meals, see *ACCUBATIO* and *TRICLINIUM*.

COVINUS (Celtic, *kowain*), a kind of car, the spokes of which were armed with long sickles, and which was used as a scythe-chariot chiefly by the ancient Belgians and Britons. The Romans designated, by the name of *covinus*, a kind of travelling carriage, which seems to have been covered on all sides with the exception of the front. It had no seat for a driver, but was conducted by the traveller himself, who sat inside. The *covinari* (this word occurs only in Tacitus) seem to have constituted a regular and distinct part of a British army. Compare *ESSEDUM*.

CRATER (κρατήρ, Ionic κρητήρ, from *κεράννυμι*, I mix), a vessel in which the wine according to the custom of the ancients, who very seldom drank it pure, was mixed with water, and from which the cups were filled.

Craters were among the first things on the embellishment of which the ancient artists exercised their skill; and the number of craters dedicated in temples seems everywhere to have been very great.

CREPIDA (κρηπίς), a slipper. Slippers were worn with the pallium, not with the toga, and were properly characteristic of the Greeks, though adopted from them by the Romans.

CRISTA. [*GALEA*.]

CRITES (κριτής) a judge, was the name applied by the Greeks to any person who did not judge of a thing like a *δικαστής*, according to positive laws, but according to his own sense of justice and equity. But at Athens a number of *κριταί* were chosen by ballot from a number of selected candidates at every celebration of the Dionysia, and were called *οἱ κριταί, κατ' ἐξοχήν*. Their office was to judge of the merit of the different choruses and dramatic poems, and to award the prizes to the victors. Their number was five for comedy and the same number for tragedy, one being taken from every tribe.

CROBYLUS. [*CORYMBUS*.]

CROCOTA (sc. *vestis*, κροκωτός sc. *ἱμάτιον*, or κροκωτός sc. *χιτὼν*), was a kind of gala-dress, chiefly worn by women on solemn occasions, and in Greece especially, at the festival of the Dionysia. Its name was derived from *crocus*, one of the favourite colours of the Greek ladies.

CROTALUM (κρόταλον), a kind of cymbal. It appears to have been a split reed or cane, which clattered when shaken with the

hand. Women who played on the crotalum were termed *crotalistræ*. The annexed cut represents one of these *crotalistræ* performing.



Female playing on the Crotala.

CROWNS. [CORONA.]

CUBICULARII, slaves who had the care of the sleeping and dwelling-rooms. Faithful slaves were always selected for this office, as they had, to a certain extent, the care of their master's person. It was the duty of the *cubicularii* to introduce visitors to their master.

CUBICULUM usually means a sleeping and dwelling room in a Roman house [*Domus*], but it is also applied to the pavilion or tent in which the Roman emperors were accustomed to witness the public games. It appears to have been so called, because the emperors were accustomed to recline in the *cubicula*, instead of sitting, as was anciently the practice, in a *sella curulis*.

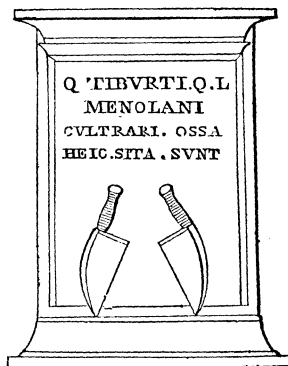
CUBITUS (*πῆχυς*), a Greek and Roman measure of length, originally the length of the human arm from the elbow to the wrist, or to the knuckle of the middle finger. It was equal to a foot and a half, which gives 1 foot 5.4744 inches Eng. for the Roman, and 1 foot 6.2016 inches for the Greek cubit.

CUCULLUS, a cowl. As the cowl was intended to be used in the open air, and to be drawn over the head to protect it from the injuries of the weather, instead of a hat or cap, it was attached only to garments of the coarsest kind. The *cucullus* was also used by persons in the higher circles of society, when they wished to go abroad without being known.

CULEUS, or **CULLEUS**, a Roman measure, which was used for estimating the produce of vineyards. It was the largest liquid measure used by the Romans, containing 20 amphoræ, or 118 gallons, 7.546 pints.

CULINA. [*Domus*.]

CULTER (*μάχαιρα*, *κοπίς*, or *σφαγίς*), a knife with only one edge, which formed a straight line. The blade was pointed, and its back curved. It was used for a variety of purposes, but chiefly for killing animals either in the slaughter house, or in hunting, or at the altars of the gods. The priest who conducted a sacrifice never killed the victim himself; but one of his *ministri*, appointed for that purpose who was called either by the general name *minister*, or the more specific *papa* or *cultrarius*. The annexed woodcut represents the tombstone of a *cultrarius*, with two *cultri* upon it.



Tombstone of a Cultrarius.

CULTRARIUS. [CULTER.]

CUNEUS was the name applied to a body of foot soldiers, drawn up in the form of a wedge, for the purpose of breaking through an enemy's line. The common soldiers called it a *caput porcinum*, or pig's head.

The name *cuneus* was also applied to the compartments of seats in circular or semi-circular theatres, which were so arranged as to converge to the centre of the theatre, and diverge towards the external walls of the building, with passages between each compartment.

CUNICULUS (*ὄρνιθος*), a mine or passage underground was so called from its resemblance to the burrowing of a rabbit.

CURATOR. Till a Roman youth attained the age of puberty, which was generally fixed at fourteen years of age, he was incapable of any legal act, and was under the authority of a *tutor* or guardian; but with the attainment of the age of puberty, he became capable of performing every legal act, and was freed from the control of his *tutor*. As, however, a per-

son of that tender age was liable to be imposed upon, the *lex Plaetoria* enacted that every person between the time of puberty and twenty-five years of age should be under the protection of a *curator*. The date of this lex is not known, though it is certain that the law existed when Plautus wrote (about B. C. 200), who speaks of it as the *lex quina vicinaria*. This law established a distinction of age, which was of great practical importance, by forming the citizens into two classes, those above and those below twenty-five years of age (*minores viginti quinque annis*). A person under the last-mentioned age was sometimes simply called *minor*. The object of the lex was to protect persons under twenty-five years of age against all fraud (*dolus*). A person who wasted his property (*prodigus*), and a person of unsound mind (*furius, demens*), were also placed under the care of a *curator*.

CURATORES were public officers of various kinds under the Roman empire, such as the *curatores annonae*, the *curatores ludorum*, &c.

CURIA. [CURIO.]

CURIAE. [COMITIA CURIATA.]

CURIA TA COMITIA. [COMITIA.]

CURIO. Each of the thirty curiae at Rome [COMITIA CURIATA] had a president called *Curio*, who performed the sacred rites, a participation in which served as a bond of union amongst the members. The Curiones themselves, forming a college of thirty priests, were presided over by the *Curio Maximus*. Moreover, each of these corporations had its common hall, called *curia*, in which the citizens met for religious and other purposes. But besides the halls of the old corporations, there were also other curiae at Rome, used for a variety of purposes; the most important of which was the curia in which the senate generally met; sometimes simply called *curia*, sometimes distinguished by the epithet *Hostilia*, as it was said to have been built by *Tullus Hostilius*.

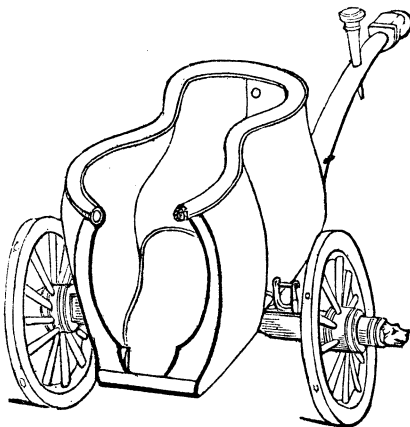
CURSUS. [CIRCUS, p. 79.]

CURULIS SELLA. [SELLA.]

CURRUS (*ῥημα*), a chariot, a car. These terms appear to have denoted those two-wheeled vehicles for the carriage of persons, which were open overhead, thus differing from the *carpentum*, and closed in front, in which they differed from the *cisium*. The most essential articles in the construction of the currus were, 1. The rim (*ἀντιξ*) [ΑΝΤΥΧ]. 2. The axle (*ἄξων*, *axis*). 3. The wheels *κύκλα*, *τροχοί*, *rotæ*, which revolved upon the axle, and were prevented from coming off by the insertion of pins (*ἐμβολοί*) into the extremities of the axles. The parts of the wheel were:—

(a) The nave (*πλήμνη*, *modiolus*). (b) The spokes (*κνήμαι*, literally, the *legs*, *radii*). (c) The felly (*ἵνυς*). (d) The tire (*ἐπίσσωτρον canthus*). 4. The pole (*ῥυμός*, *temo*).

All the parts above mentioned are seen in the ancient chariot annexed.



Currus.

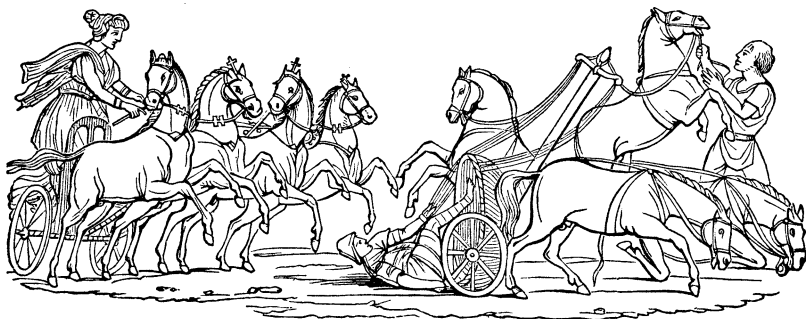
The Greeks and Romans appear never to have used more than one pole and one yoke, and the currus thus constructed was commonly drawn by two horses, which were attached to it by their necks, and therefore called *δίζυγες ἵπποι*, *συνωρίς*, *gemini jugales*, *equi bi-juges*, &c. If a third horse was added, as was not unfrequently the case, it was fastened by traces. The horse so attached was called *παρήγορος*, *παράσειρος*, *σειραφόρος*, in Latin, *funalis*, and is opposed to the *ζυγίται* or *ζόγιοι*, the yoke-horses. The Latin name for a chariot and pair was *biga*. When a third horse was added, it was called *triga*; and by the same analogy a chariot and four was called *quadriga*; in Greek, *τετραορία* or *τέττριππος*.

The horses were commonly harnessed in a quadriga after the manner already represented, the two strongest horses being placed under the yoke, and the two others fastened on each side by means of ropes. This is clearly seen in the two quadrigae in the next cut, especially in the one on the right hand. It represents a chariot overthrown in passing the goal at the circus. The charioteer having fallen backwards, the pole and yoke are thrown upwards into the air; the two trace-horses have fallen on their knees, and the

two yoke-horses are prancing on their hind legs.

The currus was adapted to carry two persons, and on this account was called in Greek

διφρος. One of the two was of course the driver. He was called *ἡνίοχος*, because he held the reins, and his companion *παραβάτης* from going by his side or near him.

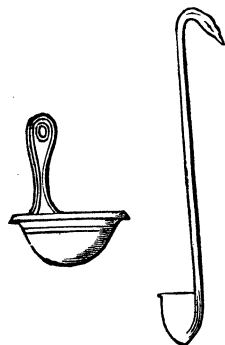


Quadrigae.

In the Homeric ages, chariots were commonly employed on the field of battle. The men of rank all took their chariots with them, and in an engagement placed themselves in front.

CUSTODES. [COMITIA.]

CYATHUS (*κύαθος*), a Greek and Roman liquid measure, containing one-twelfth of the sextarius, or .0825 of a pint English. The form of the cyathus used at banquets was that of a small ladle, by means of which the wine was conveyed into the drinking-cups from the large vessel (*crater*) in which it was mixed. Two of these cyathi are represented in the following woodcut.



Cyathi.

CYCLAS (*κυκλᾶς*), a circular robe worn by women, to the bottom of which a border was affixed, inlaid with gold. It appears to have been usually made of some thin material.

CYMBA (*κύμβα*) is derived from *κύμβος*, a hollow, and is employed to signify any small kind of boat used on lakes, rivers, &c. It appears to have been much the same as the *acatium* and *scapha*.

CYMBALUM (*κύμβαλον*), a musical instrument, in the shape of two half globes, which were held one in each hand by the performer, and played by being struck against each other. The word is derived from *κύμβος*, a hollow.



Woman playing with Cymbala.

The cymbal was a very ancient instrument, being used in the worship of Cybelé, Bacchus, Juno, and all the earlier deities of the Grecian and Roman mythology. It probably came from the East. For *sistrum*, which some have referred to the class of *cymbala*, see *SISTRUM*.

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DAE'DALA (*Δαίδαλα*), the name of two festivals, celebrated in Boeotia in honour of Juno, and called respectively the *Great* and the *Less Daedala*. The latter were celebrated by the Plataeans alone; in the celebration of the former, which took place only every sixtieth year, the Plataeans were joined by the other Boeotians.

DAGGERS. [*ΠΥΓΙΟ*; *ΣΙΧΑ*.]

DANACE (*δανάκη*), properly the name of a foreign coin, was also the name given to the obolos, which was placed in the mouth of the dead to pay the ferryman in Hades.

DANCING. [*ΣΑΛΤΑΤΙΟ*.]

DAPHNEPHORIA (*Δαφνηφόρια*), a festival celebrated every ninth year at Thebes in honour of Apollo, surnamed Ismenius or Galaxius. Its name was derived from the laurel branches (*δάφναι*) which were carried by those who took part in its celebration.

DAREICUS (*δareikós*), a gold coin of Persia, stamped on one side with the figure of an archer crowned and kneeling upon one knee, and on the other with a sort of quadrata incusa or deep cleft. It is supposed to have derived its name from the first Darius, king of Persia. It is equal to about 1*l.* 1*s.* 10*d.* 1.76 farthings.



Dareicus.

DECEMVIRI.

DAY. [*DIES*.]

DEBTOR. [*NEXUM*.]

DECE'MPEDA, a pole ten feet long, used by the agrimensores [*AGRIMENSORES*] in measuring land. Thus we find that the agrimensores were sometimes called *decempeditores*.

DECE'MVIRI, or the "ten-men," the name of various magistrates and functionaries at Rome, of whom the most important were:—

1. DECEMVIRI LEGIBUS SCRIBENDIS, ten commissioners, who were appointed to draw up a code of laws. They were entrusted with supreme power in the state, and all the other magistrates were suspended. They entered upon their office at the beginning of the year B. C. 451; and they discharged their duties with diligence, and dispensed justice with impartiality. Each administered the government day by day in succession as during an interregnum; and the fasces were only carried before the one who presided for the day. They drew up a body of laws, distributed into ten sections; which, after being approved of by the senate and the comitia, were engraven on tables of metal, and set up in the comitium. On the expiration of their year of office, all parties were so well satisfied with the manner in which they had discharged their duties, that it was resolved to continue the same form of government for another year; more especially as some of the decemvirs said that their work was not finished. Ten new decemvirs were accordingly elected, of whom App. Claudius alone belonged to the former body. These magistrates framed several new laws, which were approved of by the centuries, and engraven on two additional tables. They acted, however, in a most tyrannical manner. Each was attended by twelve lictors, who carried not the rods only, but the axes, the emblem of sovereignty. They made common cause with the patrician party, and committed all kinds of outrages upon the persons and property of the plebeians and their families. When their year of office expired they refused to resign or to appoint successors. At length, the unjust decision of App. Claudius, in the case of Virginia, which led her father to kill her with his own hands to save her from prostitution, occasioned an insurrection of the people. The decemvirs were in consequence obliged to resign their office, B. C. 449; after which the usual magistracies were re-established.

The ten tables of the former, and the two tables of the latter decemvirs, form together the laws of the Twelve Tables, which were the groundwork of the Roman laws. This,

the first attempt to make a code, remained also the only attempt for near one thousand years, until the legislation of Justinian.

2. **DECEMVIRI SACRIS FACIUNDIS**, sometimes called simply **DECEMVIRI SACRORUM**, were the members of an ecclesiastical collegium, and were elected for life. Their chief duty was to take care of the Sibylline books, and to inspect them on all important occasions by command of the senate.

Under the kings the care of the Sibylline books was committed to two men (*duumviri*) of high rank. On the expulsion of the kings, the care of these books was entrusted to the noblest of the patricians, who were exempted from all military and civil duties. Their number was increased about the year 367 B. C. to ten, of whom five were chosen from the patricians and five from the plebeians. Subsequently their number was still further increased to fifteen (*quindecimviri*), probably by Sulla.

It was also the duty of the decemviri to celebrate the games of Apollo, and the secular games.

DECIMATIO, the selection, by lot, of every tenth man for punishment, when any number of soldiers in the Roman army had been guilty of any crime. The remainder usually had barley allowed to them instead of wheat. This punishment appears not to have been inflicted in the early times of the republic.

DECRETUM seems to mean that which is determined in a particular case after examination or consideration. It is sometimes applied to a determination of the consuls, and sometimes to a determination of the senate. A *decretum* of the senate would seem to differ from a *senatus-consultum*, in the way above indicated: it was limited to the special occasion and circumstances, and this would be true whether the decretum was of a judicial or a legislative character. But this distinction in the use of the two words, as applied to an act of the senate, was, perhaps, not always observed.

DECUMAE (sc. *partes*) formed a portion of the *vectigalia* of the Romans, and were paid by subjects whose territory, either by conquest or *deditio*, had become the property of the state (*ager publicus*). They consisted, as the name denotes, of a tithe or tenth of the produce of the soil, levied upon the cultivators (*aratores*) or occupiers (*possessores*) of the lands, which, from being subject to this payment, were called *agri decumani*. The tax of a tenth was, however, generally paid by corn lands: plantations and vineyards, as requiring no seed and less labour, paid a fifth of the produce.

A similar system existed in Greece also, Peisistratus, for instance, imposed a tax of a tenth on the lands of the Athenians, which the Peisistratidae lowered to a twentieth. At the time of the Persian war the confederate Greeks made a vow, by which all the states who had surrendered themselves to the enemy were subjected to the payment of tithes for the use of the god at Delphi.

The tithes of the public lands belonging to Athens were farmed out as at Rome to contractors, called *δεκατῶναι*: the term *δεκατῆ-λόγοι* was applied to the collectors; but the callings were, as we might suppose, often united in the same person. The title *δεκαευν-ται* is applied to both. A *δεκάτη*, or tenth of a different kind, was the arbitrary exaction imposed by the Athenians (B. C. 410) on the cargoes of all ships sailing into or out of the Pontus. They lost it by the battle of Aegospotami (B. C. 405); but it was re-established by Thrasybulus about B. C. 391. The tithe was let out to farm.

DECURIA. [EXERCITUS.]

DECURIONES. [COLONIA; EXERCITUS.]

DECUSSIS. [As, p. 45a.]

DEDITICII, were those who had taken up arms against the Roman people, and being conquered, had surrendered themselves. Such people did not individually lose their freedom, but as a community lost all political existence, and of course had no other relation to Rome than that of subjects.

DEDUCTORES. [AMBITUS.]

DEIPNON (*δείπνον*), the principal meal of the Greeks, dinner. The present article is designed to give a sketch of Grecian meals and customs connected with them.

Three names of meals occur in the Iliad and Odyssey—*ariston* (*ἄριστον*), *deipnon* (*δείπνον*), *dorpon* (*δόρπον*). The word *ariston* uniformly means the early, as *dorpon* does the late meal; but *deipnon*, on the other hand, is used for either, apparently without any reference to time.

In the Homeric age it appears to have been usual to sit during meal-times. Beef, mutton, and goat's flesh were the ordinary meats, usually eaten roasted. Cheese, flour, and occasionally fruits, also formed part of the Homeric meals. Bread, brought on in baskets, and salt (*ἄλς*, to which Homer gives the epithet *θεῖος*), are mentioned.

The Greeks of a later age usually partook of three meals, called *acratisma* (*ἀκράτισμα*), *ariston*, and *deipnon*. The last, which corresponds to the *dorpon* of the Homeric poems, was the evening meal or dinner; the *ariston* was the luncheon; and the *acratisma*, which

answers to the *ariston* of Homer, was the early meal or breakfast.

The *acratisma* was taken immediately after rising in the morning. It usually consisted of bread, dipped in unmixed wine (*ἄκρατος*), whence it derived its name.

Next followed the *ariston* or luncheon; but the time at which it was taken is uncertain. It is frequently mentioned in Xenophon's *Anabasis*, and appears to have been taken at different times, as would naturally be the case with soldiers in active service. We may conclude from many circumstances that this meal was taken about the middle of the day, and that it answered to the Roman *prandium*. The *ariston* was usually a simple meal, but of course varied according to the habits of individuals.

The principal meal was the *deipnon*. It was usually taken rather late in the day, frequently not before sunset.

The Athenians were a social people, and were very fond of dining in company. Entertainments were usually given, both in the heroic ages and later times, when sacrifices were offered to the gods, either on public or private occasions; and also on the anniversary of the birthdays of members of the family, or of illustrious persons, whether living or dead.

When young men wished to dine together they frequently contributed each a certain sum of money, called *symbole* (*συμβολή*), or brought their own provisions with them. When the first plan was adopted, they were said *ἀπὸ συμβολῶν δειπνεῖν*, and one individual was usually entrusted with the money to procure the provisions, and make all the necessary preparations. This kind of entertainment, in which each guest contributed to the expense, is mentioned in Homer under the name of *ἐρανος*. An entertainment in which each person brought his own provisions with him, or at least contributed something to the general stock, was called a *δεῖπνον ἀπὸ σπουδῆς*, because the provisions were brought in baskets.

The most usual kind of entertainments, however, were those in which a person invited his friends to his own house. It was expected that they should come dressed with more than ordinary care, and also have bathed shortly before. As soon as the guests arrived at the house of their host, their shoes or sandals were taken off by the slaves, and their feet washed. After their feet had been washed, the guests reclined on the couches. It has already been remarked that Homer never describes persons as reclining, but always as sitting at their meals; but at what time the change was introduced is uncertain. The

Dorians of Crete always sat; but the other Greeks reclined. The Greek women and children, however, like the Roman, continued to sit at their meals. [ACCUBATIO.] It was usual for only two persons to recline on each couch. After the guests had placed themselves on the couches, the slaves brought in water to wash their hands. The dinner was then served up; whence we read of *τὰς τραπέζας εἰσφέρειν*, by which expression we are to understand not merely the dishes, but the tables themselves, which were small enough to be used with ease.

In eating, the Greeks had no knives or forks, but made use of their fingers only, except in eating soups or other liquids, which they partook of by means of a spoon, called *μυστίλη*, *μύστρον*, or *μύστρος*.

It would exceed the limits of this work to give an account of the different dishes which were introduced at a Greek dinner, though their number is far below those which were usually partaken of at a Roman entertainment. The most common food among the Greeks was the *μάζα*, a kind of frumenty or soft cake, which was prepared in different ways. Wheat or barley bread was the second most usual species of food; it was sometimes made at home, but more usually bought at the market of the *ἀρτοποιαὶ* or *ἀρτοποιίδες*. The vegetables ordinarily eaten were mallows (*μαλάχη*), lettuces (*θρίδαξ*), cabbages, (*ράφανοι*), beans (*κύαμοι*), lentils (*φακαί*), &c. Pork was the most favourite animal food, as was the case among the Romans. It is a curious fact, which Plato has remarked, that we never read in Homer of the heroes partaking of fish. In later times, however, fish was one of the most favourite articles of food of the Greeks.

A dinner given by an opulent Athenian usually consisted of two courses, called respectively *πρῶται τράπεζαι* and *δεύτεραι τράπεζαι*. The first course embraced the whole of what we consider the dinner, namely, fish, poultry, meat, &c.; the second, which corresponds to our dessert and the Roman *bellaria*, consisted of different kinds of fruit, sweetmeats, confections, &c.

When the first course was finished, the tables were taken away, and water was given to the guests for the purpose of washing their hands. Crowns made of garlands of flowers were also then given to them, as well as various kinds of perfumes. Wine was not drunk till the first course was finished; but as soon as the guests had washed their hands, unmixed wine was introduced in a large goblet, of which each drank a little, after pouring out a small quantity as a libation. This libation

was said to be made to the "good spirit" (*ἀγαθοῦ δαίμονος*), and was usually accompanied with the singing of the paean and the playing of flutes. After this libation mixed wine was brought in, and with their first cup the guests drank to *Διὸς Σωτήρος*. With the libations, the *deipnon* closed; and at the introduction of the dessert (*δεύτεραι τραπέζαι*) the *πότος*, *συμπόσιον*, or *κῶμος* commenced, of which an account is given under *SYMPOSIUM*.

DE'LIA (*δῆλια*), the name of festivals and games celebrated in the island of Delos, to which the Cyclades and the neighbouring Ionians on the coasts belonged. The Delia had existed from very early times, and were celebrated every fifth year. That the Athenians took part in these solemnities at a very early period, is evident from the *Delastæ* (afterwards called *θεωροί*) mentioned in the laws of Solon; the sacred vessel (*θεωρίς*), moreover, which they sent to Delos every year, was said to be the same which Theseus had sent after his return from Crete.

In the course of time the celebration of this ancient panegyris in Delos had ceased, and it was not revived until B. C. 426, when the Athenians, after having purified the island in the winter of that year, restored the ancient solemnities, and added horse-races, which had never before taken place at the Delia. After this restoration, Athens, being at the head of the Ionian confederacy, took the most prominent part in the celebration of the Delia: and though the islanders, in common with Athens, provided the choruses and victims, the leader (*ἀρχιθεωρος*), who conducted the whole solemnity, was an Athenian, and the Athenians had the superintendence of the common sanctuary.

From these solemnities, belonging to the great Delian panegyris, we must distinguish the *lesser Delia*, which were mentioned above, and which were celebrated every year, probably on the 6th of Thargelion. The Athenians on this occasion sent the sacred vessel (*θεωρίς*), which the priest of Apollo adorned with laurel branches, to Delos. The embassy was called *θεωρία*; and those who sailed to the island, *θεωροί*; and before they set sail a solemn sacrifice was offered in the Delion, at Marathon, in order to obtain a happy voyage. During the absence of the vessel the city of Athens was purified, and no criminal was allowed to be executed.

DELPHINIA (*δελφίνια*), a festival of the same expiatory character as the Apollonia, which was celebrated in various towns of Greece in honour of Apollo, surnamed Delphinus.

DELABRUM. [TEPLUM.]

DEMARCHI (*δημαρχοί*), officers, who were the head-boroughs or chief magistrates of the demi in Attica, and are said to have been first appointed by Clisthenes. Their duties were various and important. Thus, they convened meetings of the demus, and took the votes upon all questions under consideration; they made and kept a register of the landed estates in their districts, levied the monies due to the demus for rent, &c. They succeeded to the functions which had been discharged by the *naucrari* of the old constitution.

DEMENSUM, an allowance of corn, given to Roman slaves monthly or daily. It usually consisted of four or five modii of corn a month.

DEMINUTIO CAPITIS. [CAPUT.]

DEMIURGI (*δημιουργοί*), magistrates, whose title is expressive of their doing the service of the people, existed in several of the Peloponnesian states. Among the Eleans and Mantineans they seem to have been the chief executive magistracy. We also read of *demiurgi* in the Achaian league, who probably ranked next to the *strategi*, and put questions to the vote in the general assembly of the confederates. Officers named *epidemiurgi*, or upper *demiurgi*, were sent by the Corinthians to manage the government of their colony at Potidaea.

DEMO'SII (*δημόσιοι*), public slaves at Athens, who were purchased by the state. The public slaves, most frequently mentioned, formed the city guard; it was their duty to preserve order in the public assembly, and to remove any person whom the prytanies might order. They are generally called bowmen (*τοξόται*); or from the native country of the majority, Scythians (*Σκύθαι*); and also Speusinians, from the name of the person who first established the force. They originally lived in tents in the market-place, and afterwards upon the Areopagus. Their officers had the name of *toxarchs* (*τόξαρχοι*). Their number was at first 300, purchased soon after the battle of Salamis, but was afterwards increased to 1200.

DEMUS (*δῆμος*), originally indicated a district or tract of land; and in this meaning of a country district, inhabited and under cultivation, it is contrasted with *πόλις*.

When Clisthenes, at Athens, broke up the four tribes of the old constitution, he substituted in their place ten local tribes (*φυλαὶ ποτικαί*), each of which he subdivided into ten *demi* or country parishes, possessing each its principal town; and in some one of these demi were enrolled all the Athenian citizens resident in Attica, with the exception, per-

haps, of those who were natives of Athens itself. These subdivisions corresponded in some degree to the *naucrariae* (*ναυκραριαί*) of the old tribes, and were originally one hundred in number.

These demi formed independent corporations, and had each their several magistrates, landed and other property, with a common treasury. They had likewise their respective convocations or "parish meetings," convened by the *demarchi*, in which was transacted the public business of the demus, such as the leasing of its estates, the elections of officers, the revision of the registers or lists of *δημόται*, and the admission of new members. Independent of these bonds of union, each demus seems to have had its peculiar temples and religious worship. There were likewise judges, called *δικασταὶ κατὰ δῆμον*, who decided cases where the matter in dispute was of less value than ten drachmae.

Admission into a demus was necessary, before any individual could enter upon his full rights and privileges as an Attic citizen. The register of enrolment was called *ληξιαρχικὸν γραμματεῖον*.

DENARIUS, the principal silver coin among the Romans, was so called because it was originally equal to ten asses; but on the reduction of the weight of the as [As], it was made equal to sixteen asses, except in military pay, in which it was still reckoned as equal to ten asses. The denarius was first coined five years before the first Punic war, B.C. 269. [ARGENTUM.]



Denarius.

The average value of the denarii coined at the end of the commonwealth is about $8\frac{1}{2}d.$, and those under the empire about $7\frac{1}{2}d.$

If the denarius be reckoned in value $8\frac{1}{2}d.$,

DIAETETAE.

the other Roman coins of silver will be of the following value:—

	Pence.	Farth.
Teruncius		.53125
Sembella		1.0625
Libella		2.125
Sestertius	2	.5
Quinarius or Victoriatus	4	1
Denarius	8	2

Some denarii were called *serrati*, because their edges were notched like a saw, which appears to have been done to prove that they were solid silver, and not plated; and others *bigati* and *quadrigati*, because on their reverse were represented chariots drawn by two and four horses respectively.

DESIGNATOR. [FUNUS.]

DESULTOR, a rider in the Roman games, who generally rode two horses at the same time, sitting on them without a saddle, and vaulting upon either of them at his pleasure. The annexed woodcut shows three figures of desultores.



Desultores

DIADÉMA, originally a white fillet, used to encircle the head. It is represented on the head of Dionysus [see cut, p. .], and was, in an ornamented form, assumed by kings as an emblem of sovereignty.

DIAETETÆ (*διαίτηται*), or arbitrators, at Athens, were of two kinds: the one public

and appointed by lot (*κληρωτοί*), the other private, and chosen (*αἰρετοί*) by the parties who referred to them the decision of a disputed point, instead of trying it before a court of justice; the judgments of both, according to Aristotle, being founded on equity rather than law. The number of public arbitrators seems to have been 40, four for each tribe. Their jurisdiction was confined to civil cases.

DICASTES (*δικαστής*), the name of a judge, or rather jurymen, at Athens. The conditions of his eligibility were, that he should be a free citizen, in the enjoyment of his full franchise (*ἐπιτιμία*), and not less than thirty years of age, and of persons so qualified six thousand were selected by lot for the service of every year. Their appointment took place every year under the conduct of the nine archons and their official scribe; each of these ten personages drew by lot the names of six hundred persons of the tribe assigned to him; the whole number so selected was again divided by lot into ten sections of 500 each, together with a supernumerary one, consisting of a thousand persons, from among whom the occasional deficiencies in the sections of 500 might be supplied. To each of the ten sections one of the ten first letters of the alphabet was appropriated as a distinguishing mark, and a small tablet (*πινακίον*), inscribed with the letter of the section and the name of the individual, was delivered as a certificate of his appointment to each dicast.

Before proceeding to the exercise of his functions, the dicast was obliged to swear the official oath. This oath being taken, and the divisions made as above mentioned, it remained to assign the courts to the several sections of dicasts in which they were to sit. This was not, like the first, an appointment intended to last during the year, but took place under the conduct of the thesmothetae, *de novo*, every time that it was necessary to impanel a number of dicasts. As soon as the allotment had taken place, each dicast received a staff, on which was painted the letter and the colour of the court awarded him, which might serve both as a ticket to procure admittance, and also to distinguish him from any loiterer that might endeavour clandestinely to obtain a sitting after business had begun. While in court, and probably from the hand of the presiding magistrate (*ἡγέμων δικαστηρίου*), he received the token or ticket that entitled him to receive his fee (*δικαστικόν*). This payment is said to have been first instituted by Pericles, and was originally a single obolus; it was increased by Cleon to thrice that amount about the 88th Olympiad.

DICE, game of. [TESSERA.]

DICE' (*δίκη*), signifies generally any proceedings at law by one party directly or mediately against others. The object of all such actions is to protect the body politic, or one or more of its individual members, from injury and aggression; a distinction which has in most countries suggested the division of all causes into two great classes, the public and the private, and assigned to each its peculiar form and treatment. At Athens the first of these was implied by the terms public *δίκαι*, or *ἁγῶνες*, or still more peculiarly by *γραφαί*; causes of the other class were termed private *δίκαι*, or *ἁγῶνες*, or simply *δίκαι* in its limited sense.

In a *δίκη*, only the person whose rights were alleged to be affected, or the legal protector (*κύριος*) of such person, if a minor or otherwise incapable of appearing *suo jure*, was permitted to institute an action as plaintiff; in public causes, with the exception of some few in which the person injured or his family were peculiarly bound and interested to act, any free citizen, and sometimes, when the state was directly attacked, almost any alien, was empowered to do so. The court fees, called *prytaneia*, were paid in private but not in public causes, and a public prosecutor that compromised the action with the defendant was in most cases punished by a fine of a thousand drachmae and a modified disfranchisement, while there was no legal impediment at any period of a private lawsuit to the reconciliation of the litigant parties.

The proceedings in the *δίκη* were commenced by a summons (*πρόσκλησις*) to the defendant to appear on a certain day before the proper magistrate (*εἰσαγωγεὺς*), and there answer the charges preferred against him. This summons was often served by the plaintiff in person, accompanied by one or two witnesses (*κλητῆρες*), whose names were endorsed upon the declaration (*λῆξις* or *ἐγκλημα*). Between the service of the summons and appearance of the parties before the magistrate, it is very probable that the law prescribed the intervention of a period of five days. If both parties appeared, the proceedings commenced by the plaintiff putting in his declaration, and at the same time depositing his share of the court fees (*πρυτανεία*), which were trifling in amount, but the non-payment of which was a fatal objection to the further progress of a cause. When these were paid, it became the duty of the magistrate, if no manifest objection appeared on the face of the declaration, to cause it to be written out on a tablet, and exposed for the inspection of the public on the wall or other place that served as the cause list of his court.

The magistrate then appointed a day for the further proceedings of the *anacrisis* [ANACRISIS]. If the plaintiff failed to appear at the anacrisis, the suit, of course, fell to the ground; if the defendant made default, judgment passed against him. An affidavit might at this, as well as at other periods of the action, be made in behalf of a person unable to attend upon the given day, and this would, if allowed, have the effect of postponing further proceedings (*ὑπομυσία*); it might, however, be combated by a counter-affidavit, to the effect that the alleged reason was unfounded or otherwise insufficient (*ἀνθυπομυσία*); and a question would arise upon this point, the decision of which, when adverse to the defendant, would render him liable to the penalty of contumacy. The plaintiff was in this case said *ἐρήμην ἔλειν*; the defendant, *ἐρήμην ὀλέειν*, *δίκην* being the word omitted in both phrases. The anacrisis began with the affidavit of the plaintiff (*προμυσία*), then followed the answer of the defendant (*ἀντωμυσία*, or *ἀντιγραφή*), then the parties produced their respective witnesses, and reduced their evidence to writing, and put in originals, or authenticated copies, of all the records, deeds, and contracts that might be useful in establishing their case, as well as memoranda of offers and requisitions then made by either side (*προκλήσεις*). The whole of the documents were then, if the cause took a straightforward course (*εὐθὺδικία*), enclosed on the last day of the anacrisis in a casket (*ἐχίνοσ*), which was sealed, and entrusted to the custody of the presiding magistrate, till it was produced and opened at the trial. During the interval no alteration in its contents was permitted, and accordingly evidence that had been discovered after the anacrisis was not producible at the trial. In some causes, the trial before the dicasts was by law appointed to come on within a given time; in such as were not provided for by such regulations, we may suppose that it would principally depend upon the leisure of the magistrate. Upon the court being assembled, the magistrate called on the cause, and the plaintiff opened his case. At the commencement of his speech, the proper officer (*ὁ ἐφ' ὁδῶρ*) filled the clepsydra with water. As long as the water flowed from this vessel the orator was permitted to speak; if, however, evidence was to be read by the officer of the court, or a law recited, the water was stopped till the speaker recommenced. The quantity of water, or, in other words, the length of the speeches, was different in different causes. After the speeches of the advocates, which were in general two on each side, and the incidental reading of

the documentary and other evidence, the dicasts proceeded to give their judgment by ballot.

When the principal point at issue was decided in favour of the plaintiff, there followed in many cases a farther discussion as to the fine or punishment to be inflicted on the defendant (*παθεῖν ἢ ἀποτίσαι*). All actions were divided into two classes,—*ἀγῶνες ἀτίμητοι*, suits not to be assessed, in which the fine, or other penalty, was determined by the laws; and *ἀγῶνες τιμητοί*, suits to be assessed, in which the penalty had to be fixed by the judges. If the suit was an *ἀγών τιμητός*, the plaintiff generally mentioned in the pleadings the punishment which he considered the defendant deserved (*τίμηναι*); and the defendant was allowed to make a counter-assessment (*ἀντιτιμᾶσθαι* or *ὑποτιμᾶσθαι*), and to argue before the judges why the assessment of the plaintiff ought to be changed or mitigated. In certain causes which were determined by the laws, any of the judges was allowed to propose an additional assessment (*προστίμηναι*); the amount of which, however, appears to have been usually fixed by the laws. Thus, in certain cases of theft, the additional penalty was fixed at five days' and nights' imprisonment.

Upon judgment being given in a private suit, the Athenian law left its execution very much in the hands of the successful party, who was empowered to seize the movables of his antagonist as a pledge for the payment of the money, or institute an action of ejectment (*ἐξούλης*) against the refractory debtor. The judgment of a court of dicasts was in general decisive (*δίκη αὐτοτελής*); but upon certain occasions, as, for instance, when a gross case of perjury or conspiracy could be proved by the unsuccessful party to have operated to his disadvantage, the cause, upon the conviction of such conspirators or witnesses, might be commenced *de novo*.

DICTATOR. The name and office of dictator are confessedly of Latin origin: thus we read of a dictator at Tusculum in early, at Lanuvium in very late times.

Among the Romans, a dictator was generally appointed in circumstances of extraordinary danger, whether from foreign enemies or domestic sedition. Instances occur very frequently in the early books of Livy, from whom we learn that a dictator was sometimes created for the following purposes also:—1. For fixing the “*clavus annalis*” on the temple of Jupiter, in times of pestilence or civil discord. 2. For holding the comitia, or elections, in the absence of the consuls. 3. For appointing holydays (*feriarum constituendum*)

causa) on the appearance of prodigies, and officiating at the *ludi Romani*, if the praetor could not attend; also for holding trials, and on one occasion, for filling up vacancies in the senate.

According to the oldest authorities, the dictatorship was instituted at Rome in B.C. 501, ten years after the expulsion of the Tarquinii, and the first dictator was said to have been T. Lartius, one of the consuls of the year. Another account states, that the consuls of the year in which the first dictator was appointed were of the Tarquinian party, and therefore distrusted.

This tradition naturally suggests the inference, that the dictator was on this first occasion appointed to direct and supersede the consuls, not only with a view to foreign wars, but also for the purpose of summarily punishing any member of the state, whether belonging to the commonalty or the governing patricians, who should be detected in plotting for the restoration of the exiled king. The powers with which a dictator was invested, will show how far his authority was adequate for such an object.

In the first place, he was formerly called *magister populi*, or master of the patricians or burghers; and though created for six months only, his power within the city was as supreme and absolute as that of the consuls without. In token of this, the fasces and securus (the latter, instruments of capital punishment) were carried before him, even in the city. Again no appeal against the dictator was at first allowed either to the commons or the burghers, although the latter had, even under the kings, enjoyed the privilege of appealing from them to the great council of the patricians (*provocare ad populum*); a privilege which the Valerian laws had secured to the plebeians likewise. This right, however, was subsequently obtained by the patricians, and perhaps eventually by the plebeians.

Moreover, no one was eligible for the dictatorship unless he had previously been consul or praetor. The first plebeian dictator was C. Martius Rutilus, nominated by the plebeian consul, M. Popilius Laenas, B.C. 356.

With respect to the mode of election, the common practice was, for the senate to select an individual, who was nominated (*dictus*) in the dead of the night by one of the consuls, and then received the *imperium* or sovereign authority from the assembly of the curies. This ratification was in early times indispensable to the validity of the election, just as it had been necessary for the kings, even after their election by the curies, to apply to them

for investiture with the *imperium*. In later times, however, and after the passing of the Maenian law, the conferring of the *imperium* was a mere form. Thenceforward it was only necessary that the consul should consent to proclaim the person nominated by the senate.

The authority of a dictator is said to have been supreme in everything; but there were some limitations to his power. 1. The period of office was only six months, and at the end of that time a dictator might be brought to trial for any acts of tyranny committed by him while in power. Many, however, resigned their authority before the expiration of the six months, after completing the business for which they were appointed. 2. A dictator could not draw on the treasury beyond the credit granted him by the senate, nor go out of Italy, nor even ride on horseback without the permission of the people; a regulation apparently capricious, but perhaps intended to show whence his authority came. The usurped powers of the dictators Sulla and Julius Caesar are, of course, not to be compared with the genuine dictatorship. After the death of the latter, the office was abolished for ever by a law of Antony, the consul. The title, indeed, was offered to Augustus, but he resolutely refused it in consequence of the odium attached to it from the conduct of Sulla when dictator; in fact, even during the later ages of the republic, and for one hundred and twenty years previous to Sulla's dictatorship, the office itself had been in abeyance, though the consuls were frequently invested, in time of danger, with something like a dictatorial power, by a *senatusconsultum*, empowering them to take measures for securing the state against harm (*ut darent operam ne quid respublica detrimenti caperet*).

Together with the master of the burghers, or the dictator, there was always a *magister equitum*, or master of the knights, chosen by the dictator, though sometimes apparently by the senate or the people.

DIES (*ἡμέρα*), a day. The name *dies* was applied, like our word day, to the time during which, according to the notions of the ancients, the sun performed his course around the earth, and this time they called the civil day (*dies civilis*, in Greek *πυθήμερον*, because it included both night and day). The natural day (*dies naturalis*), or the time from the rising to the setting of the sun, was likewise designated by the name *dies*. The civil day began with the Greeks at the setting of the sun, and with the Romans at midnight.

At the time of the Homeric poems the natural day was divided into three parts. The first,

called *ῥῶς*, began with sunrise, and comprehended the whole space of time during which light seemed to be increasing, *i.e.* till mid-day. The second part was called *μέσον ἡμῶν* or mid-day, during which the sun was thought to stand still. The third part bore the name of *δείλη* or *δελειὸν ἡμῶν*, which derived its name from the increased warmth of the atmosphere. Among the Athenians the first and last of the divisions made at the time of Homer were afterwards subdivided into two parts. The earlier part of the morning was termed *πρωτὸν* or *πρὸ τῆς ἡμέρας*: the latter, *πληθούσης τῆς ἀγορᾶς*, or *περὶ πλῆθουσιν ἀγορᾶν*. The *μέσον ἡμῶν* of Homer was afterwards expressed by *μεσημβρία*, *μέσον ἡμέρας*, or *μέση ἡμέρα*, and comprehended, as before, the middle of the day, when the sun seemed neither to rise nor to decline. The two parts of the afternoon were called *δείλη πρωτῇ* or *πρωτᾷ*, and *δείλη ὀψίῃ* or *ὀψίᾳ*. This division continued to be observed down to the latest period of Grecian history, though another more accurate division was introduced at an early period; for Anaximander, or, according to others, his disciple Anaximenes, is said to have made the Greeks acquainted with the use of the Babylonian chronometer or sun-dial (called *πόλος* or *ὠρολόγιον*), by means of which the natural day was divided into twelve equal spaces of time.

The division of the day most generally observed by the Romans, was that into *tempus antemeridianum* and *pomeridianum*, the *meridies* itself being only considered as a point at which the one ended and the other commenced. But as it was of importance that this moment should be known, an especial officer [*Accensus*] was appointed, who proclaimed the time of mid-day. The division of the day into twelve equal spaces, which were shorter in winter than in summer, was adopted at the time when artificial means of measuring time were introduced among the Romans from Greece. This was about the year B.C. 291, when L. Papirius Cursor, after the war with Pyrrhus in southern Italy, brought to Rome an instrument called *solarium horologium*, or simply *solarium*. But as the *solarium* had been made for a different meridian, it showed the time at Rome very incorrectly. Scipio Nasica, therefore, erected in B.C. 159, a public clepsydra, which indicated the hours of the night as well as of the day. Even after the erection of this clepsydra it was customary for one of the subordinate officers of the praetor to proclaim the third, sixth, and ninth hours; which shows that the day was, like the night divided into four parts, each consisting of three hours.

DIONYSIA.

All the days of the year were, according to different points of view, divided by the Romans into different classes. For the purpose of the administration of justice all days were divided into *dies fasti* and *dies nefasti*.

DIES FASTI were the days on which the praetor was allowed to administer justice in the public courts; they derived their name from *fari* (*fari tria verba*; *do, dico, addico*). On some of the *dies fasti* comitia could be held, but not on all. The regular *dies fasti* were marked in the Roman calendar by the letter F, and their number in the course of the year was 38. Besides these there were certain days called *dies intercesi*, on which the praetor might hold his courts, but not at all hours, so that sometimes one half of such a day was *fastus*, while the other half was *nefastus*. Their number was 65 in the year.

DIES NEFASTI were days on which neither courts of justice nor comitia were allowed to be held, and which were dedicated to other purposes. The term *dies nefasti*, which originally had nothing to do with religion, but simply indicated days on which no courts were to be held, was in subsequent times applied to religious days in general, as *dies nefasti* were mostly dedicated to the worship of the gods.

In a religious point of view all days of the year were either *dies festi*, or *dies profesti*, or *dies intercesi*. According to the definition given by Macrobius, *dies festi* were dedicated to the gods, and spent with sacrifices, repasts, games, and other solemnities; *dies profesti* belonged to men for the administration of their private and public affairs. *Dies intercesi* were common between gods and men, that is, partly devoted to the worship of the gods, partly to the transaction of ordinary business.

Dies profesti were either *dies fasti*, or *dies comitiales*, that is, days on which comitia were held, or *dies comperendini*, that is, days to which any action was allowed to be transferred; or *dies stati*, that is, days set apart for causes between Roman citizens and foreigners; or *dies proeliales*, that is, all days on which religion did not forbid the commencement of a war.

DIFFAREATIO. [DIVORTIUM.]

DIMACHAE (*διμάχαι*), Macedonian horse-soldiers, who also fought on foot when occasion required, like our dragoons.

DIMINUTIO CAPITIS. [CAPUT.]

DINNERS, Greek [ΔΕΙΠΝΟΝ], Roman [CENA.]

DIONY'SIA (*Διονύσια*), festivals celebrated in various parts of Greece in honour of Dionysus (Bacchus), and characterized by extravagant merriment and enthusiastic joy.

Drunkenness, and the boisterous music of

flutes, cymbals, and drums, were likewise common to all Bacchic festivals. In the processions called *θιάσσοι* (from *θείαζω*), with which they were celebrated, women also took part in the disguise of Bacchae, Lenae, Thyades, Naiades, Nymphs, &c., adorned with garlands of ivy, and bearing the thyrsus in their hands, so that the whole train represented a population inspired and actuated by the powerful presence of the god. The choruses sung on the occasion were called dithyrambs, and were hymns addressed to the god in the freest metres and with the boldest imagery, in which his exploits and achievements were extolled. [CHORUS.] The phallus, the symbol of the fertility of nature, was also carried in these processions. The indulgence in drinking was considered by the Greeks as a duty of gratitude which they owed to the giver of the vine; hence in some places it was thought a crime to remain sober at the Dionysia.

The Attic festivals of Bacchus were four in number: the *Rural* or *Lesser Dionysia* (*Διονύσια κατ' ἀγρούς*, or *μικρά*), the *Lenaea* (*Λήναια*), the *Anthesteria* (*Ἀνθεστήρια*), and the *City* or *Great Dionysia* (*Διονύσια ἐν ᾠστει*, *ᾠστικά* or *μεγάλα*). The season of the year sacred to Bacchus was during the months nearest to the shortest day; and the Attic festivals were accordingly celebrated in Poseideon, Gamelion, Anthesterion, and Elaphebolion.

The *Rural* or *Lesser Dionysia*, a vintage festival, were celebrated in the various demes of Attica in the month of Poseideon, and were under the superintendence of the several local magistrates, the demarchs. This was doubtless the most ancient of all, and was held with the highest degree of merriment and freedom; even slaves enjoyed full freedom during its celebration, and their boisterous shouts on the occasion were almost intolerable. It is here that we have to seek for the origin of comedy, in the jests and the scurrilous abuse which the peasants vented upon the bystanders from a waggon in which they rode about. The Dionysia in the Peiraeus, as well as those of the other demes of Attica, belonged to the lesser Dionysia.

The second festival, the *Lenaea* (from *ληνός*, the wine-press, from which also the month of Gamelion was called by the Ionians Lenaeon), was celebrated in the month of Gamelion; the place of its celebration was the ancient temple of Bacchus Limnaeus (from *λίμνη*, as the district was originally a swamp). This temple was called the Lenaeon. The Lenaea were celebrated with a procession and scenic contests in tragedy and comedy. The procession probably went to the Lenaeon, where a goat (*τράγος*, hence the chorus

and the tragedy which arose out of it were called *τραγικός χορός*, and *τραγωδία*) was sacrificed, and a chorus standing around the altar sang the dithyrambic ode to the god. As the dithyramb was the element out of which, by the introduction of an actor tragedy arose [CHORUS], it is natural that, in the scenic contests of this festival, tragedy should have preceded comedy. The poet who wished his play to be brought out at the Lenaea applied to the second archon, who had the superintendence of this festival, and who gave him the chorus if the piece was thought to deserve it.

The third festival, the *Anthesteria*, was celebrated on the 11th, 12th, and 13th days of the month of Anthesterion. The second archon likewise superintended the celebration of the Anthesteria, and distributed the prizes among the victors in the various games which were carried on during the season. The first day was called *πιθουγία*: the second, *χόες*; and the third, *χύτροι*. The first day derived its name from the opening of the casks to taste the wine of the preceding year; the second from *χόες*, the cup, and seems to have been the day devoted to drinking. The third day had its name from *χύτρος*, a pot, as on this day persons offered pots with flowers, seeds, or cooked vegetables, as a sacrifice to Bacchus and Hermes (Mercury) Chthonius.

It is uncertain whether dramas were performed at the Anthesteria; but it is supposed that comedies were represented, and that tragedies which were to be brought out at the great Dionysia were perhaps rehearsed at the Anthesteria. The mysteries connected with the celebration of the Anthesteria were held at night.

The fourth festival, the *City* or *Great Dionysia*, was celebrated about the 12th of the month of Elaphebolion; but we do not know whether they lasted more than one day or not. The order in which the solemnities took place was as follows:—the great public procession, the chorus of boys, the *comus* [CHORUS], comedy, and, lastly, tragedy. Of the dramas which were performed at the great Dionysia, the tragedies at least were generally new pieces; repetitions do not, however, seem to have been excluded from any Dionysiac festival. The first archon had the superintendence, and gave the chorus to the dramatic poet who wished to bring out his piece at this festival. The prize awarded to the dramatist for the best play consisted of a crown, and his name was proclaimed in the theatre of Bacchus. As the great Dionysia were celebrated at the beginning of spring, when the navigation was re-opened, Athens was not only visited by numbers of country

people, but also by strangers from other parts of Greece, and the various amusements and exhibitions on this occasion were not unlike those of a modern fair.

The worship of Dionysus, whom the Romans called Bacchus, or rather the Bacchic mysteries and orgies (*Bacchanalia*), are said to have been introduced from southern Italy into Etruria, and from thence to Rome, where for a time they were carried on in secret, and, during the latter period of their existence, at night. The initiated, according to Livy, not only indulged in feasting and drinking at their meetings, but when their minds were heated with wine they practised the coarsest excesses and the most unnatural vices. The time of initiation lasted ten days; on the tenth, the person who was to be initiated took a solemn meal, underwent a purification by water, and was led into the sanctuary (*Bacchanal*). At first only women were initiated, and the orgies were celebrated every year during three days. But *Paucula Annia*, a Campanian matron, pretending to act under the direct influence of Bacchus, changed the whole method of celebration: she admitted men to the initiation, and transferred the solemnization, which had hitherto taken place during the daytime, to the night. Instead of three days in the year, she ordered that the *Bacchanalia* should be held during five days in every month. It was from that time that these orgies were carried on with frightful licentiousness and excesses of every kind. The evil at length became so alarming, that, in B. C. 186, the consuls, by the command of the senate, instituted an investigation into the nature and object of these new rites. The result was that numerous persons were arrested, and some put to death; and that a decree of the senate was issued, commanding that no *Bacchanalia* should be held either in Rome or Italy; that if any one should think such ceremonies necessary, or if he could not neglect them without scruples or making atonements, he should apply to the praetor urbanus, who might then consult the senate. If the permission should be granted to him in an assembly of the senate, consisting of not less than one hundred members, he might solemnize the Bacchic sacra; but no more than five persons were to be present at the celebration; there should be no common fund and no master of the sacra or priest. A brazen table containing this important document was discovered near Bari, in southern Italy, in the year 1640, and is at present in the imperial Museum of Vienna.

While the *Bacchanalia* were thus suppressed, another more simple and innocent festival

DISCUS.

of Bacchus, the *Liberalia* (from *Liber*, or *Liber Pater*, a name of Bacchus), continued to be celebrated at Rome every year on the 16th of March. Priests and aged priestesses, adorned with garlands of ivy, carried through the city wine, honey, cakes, and sweetmeats, together with an altar with a handle (*ansata ara*), in the middle of which there was a small fire-pan (*foculus*), in which from time to time sacrifices were burnt. On this day Roman youths who had attained their sixteenth year received the *toga virilis*.

DIO'TA, a vessel having two ears (*ὄτα*) or handles, used for holding wine. It appears to have been much the same as the amphora. [AMPHORA.]

DIPLO'MA, a writ or public document, which conferred upon a person any right or privilege. During the republic, it was granted by the consuls and senate; and under the empire, by the emperor and the magistrates whom he authorized to do so. It consisted of two leaves, whence it derived its name.

DIPTYCHA (*δίπτυχα*), two writing tablets, which could be folded together. They were commonly made of wood and covered over with wax.

DIRIBITORES, officers in the comitia, whose duty it was to divide the votes (*tabellae*), when taken out of the *cistae*, or ballot-boxes, so as to determine which had the majority. They handed them over to the *custodes*, who checked them off by points marked on a tablet.

DISCUS (*δίσκος*), a circular plate of stone or metal, made for throwing to a distance as



Throwing the Discus.

an exercise of strength and dexterity. It was one of the principal gymnastic exercises of the ancients, being included in the *Pentathlon*. The preceding woodcut represents a player with the discus, and is copied from an ancient statue by Myron.

DISPENSATOR. [CALCULATOR.]

DITHYRAMBUS. [CHORUS.]

DIVERSORIUM. [CAUPONA.]

DIVINATIO (*μαντική*), a power in man which foresees future things by means of those signs which the gods throw in his way.

Among the Greeks the *manteis* (*μάντιεις*), or seers, who announced the future, were supposed to be under the direct influence of the gods, chiefly that of Apollo. In many families of seers the inspired knowledge of the future was considered to be hereditary, and to be transmitted from father to son. To these families belonged the Iamids, who from Olympia spread over a considerable part of Greece; the Branchidae, near Miletus; the Eumolpids, at Athens and Eleusis; the Teliads, the Acarnanian seers, and others. Along with the seers we may also mention the Bacides and the Sibyllae. Both existed from a very remote time, and were distinct from the *manteis* so far as they pretended to derive their knowledge of the future from sacred books (*χρησμοί*) which they consulted, and which were in some places, as at Athens and Rome, kept by the government or some especial officers, in the acropolis and in the most revered sanctuary. The Bacides are said to have been descended from one or more prophetic nymphs of the name of Bacis. The Sibyllae were prophetic women, probably of Asiatic origin, whose peculiar custom seems to have been to wander with their sacred books from place to place. The Sibylla, whose books gained so great an importance at Rome, is reported to have been the Erythraean: the books which she was said to have sold to one of the Tarquins were carefully concealed from the public, and only accessible to the *duumvirs*.

Besides these more respectable prophets and prophetesses, there were numbers of diviners of an inferior order (*χρησμολόγοι*), who made it their business to explain all sorts of signs, and to tell fortunes. They were, however, more particularly popular with the lower orders, who are everywhere most ready to believe what is most marvellous and least entitled to credit.

No public undertaking of any consequence was ever entered upon by the Greeks and Romans without consulting the will of the gods, by observing the signs which they sent, especially those in the sacrifices offered for the

purpose, and by which they were thought to indicate the success or the failure of the undertaking. For this kind of divination no divine inspiration was thought necessary, but merely experience and a certain knowledge acquired by routine; and although in some cases priests were appointed for the purpose of observing and explaining signs [AUGUR; HARUSPEX], yet on any sudden emergency, especially in private affairs, any one who met with something extraordinary, might act as his own interpreter. The principal signs by which the gods were thought to declare their will, were things connected with the offering of sacrifices, the flight and voice of birds, all kinds of natural phenomena, ordinary as well as extraordinary, and dreams.

The interpretation of signs of the first class (*τερομαντεία* or *τεροσκοπία*, *haruspicium* or *ars haruspicina*) was, according to Aeschylus, the invention of Prometheus. It seems to have been most cultivated by the Etruscans, among whom it was raised into a complete science, and from whom it passed to the Romans. Sacrifices were either offered for the special purpose of consulting the gods, or in the ordinary way; but in both cases the signs were observed, and when they were propitious, the sacrifice was said *καλλιερεῖν*. The principal points that were generally observed were, 1. The manner in which the victim approached the altar. 2. The nature of the intestines with respect to their colour and smoothness; the liver and bile were of particular importance. 3. The nature of the flame which consumed the sacrifice. Especial care was also taken during a sacrifice, that no inauspicious or frivolous words were uttered by any of the bystanders: hence the admonitions of the priests, *εὐφημεῖτε* and *εὐφημία*, or *σιγᾶτε*, *σιωπᾶτε*, *favete linguis*, and others; for improper expressions were not only thought to pollute and profane the sacred act, but to be unlucky omens.

The art of interpreting signs of the second class was called *οἰωνοστική*, *augurium*, or *auspicium*. It was, like the former, common to Greeks and Romans, but never attained the same degree of importance in Greece as it did in Rome. [AUSPICIUM.] The Greeks, when observing the flight of birds, turned their face toward the north, and then a bird appearing to the right (east), especially an eagle, a heron, or a falcon, was a favourable sign; while birds appearing to the left (west) were considered as unlucky signs.

Of greater importance than the appearance of animals, at least to the Greeks, were the phenomena in the heavens, particularly during any public transaction. Among the unlucky

phenomena in the heavens (*δοσμησία*, *signa*, or *portenta*) were thunder and lightning, an eclipse of the sun or moon, earthquakes, rain of blood, stones, milk, &c. Any one of these signs was sufficient at Athens to break up the assembly of the people. In common life, things apparently of no importance, when occurring at a critical moment, were thought by the ancients to be signs sent by the gods, from which conclusions might be drawn respecting the future. Among these common occurrences we may mention sneezing, twinkling of the eyes, tinkling of the ears, &c.

The art of interpreting dreams (*δνειροπολία*), which had probably been introduced into Europe from Asia, where it is still a universal practice, seems in the Homeric age to have been held in high esteem, for dreams were said to be sent by Jupiter. In subsequent times, that class of diviners who occupied themselves with the interpretation of dreams, seems to have been very numerous and popular; but they never enjoyed any protection from the state, and were chiefly resorted to by private individuals. The subject of oracles is treated in a separate article. [ORACULUM.]

The word *divinatio* was used in a particular manner by the Romans as a law-term. If in any case two or more accusers came forward against one and the same individual, it was, as the phrase ran, *decided by divinatio*, who should be the chief or real accuser, whom the others then joined as *subscriptores*; i. e. by putting their names to the charge brought against the offender. This transaction, by which one of several accusers was selected to conduct the accusation, was called *divinatio*, as the question here was not about facts, but about something which was to be done, and which could not be found out by witnesses or written documents; so that the judges had, as it were, to divine the course which they had to take. Hence the oratio of Cicero, in which he tries to show that he, and not Q. Caecilius Niger, ought to conduct the accusation against Verres, is called *Divinatio in Caecilium*.

DIVISOR. [AMBITUS.]

DIVORTIUM (*ἀπόλειψις*, *ἀποπέμψις*), divorce. 1. GREEK. The laws of Athens permitted either the husband or the wife to call for and effect a divorce. If it originated with the wife, she was said to leave her husband's house (*ἀπολείπειν*); if otherwise, to be dismissed from it (*ἀποπέμπεσθαι*). After divorce, the wife resorted to her male relations, with whom she would have remained if she had never quitted her maiden state; and it then became their duty to receive or recover from her late husband all the property that she had brought to him in acknowledged dowry upon their

DOCIMASIA.

marriage. If, upon this, both parties were satisfied, the divorce was final and complete: if otherwise, an action *ἀπολείψεως*, or *ἀποπέμψεως*, would be instituted, as the case might be, by the party opposed to the separation. A separation, however, whether it originated from the husband or the wife, was considered to reflect discredit on the latter.

2. ROMAN. Divorce always existed in the Roman polity. As one essential part of a marriage was the consent and conjugal affection of the parties, it was considered that this affection was necessary to its continuance, and accordingly either party might declare his or her intention to dissolve the connection. No judicial decree, and no interference of any public authority, was requisite to dissolve a marriage. The first instance of divorce at Rome is said to have occurred about B. C. 234, when Sp. Carvilius Ruga put away his wife, on the ground of barrenness; it is added that his conduct was generally condemned.

Towards the latter part of the republic, and under the empire, divorces became very common. Pompey divorced his wife Mucia for alleged adultery; and Cicero divorced his wife Terentia, after living with her thirty years, and married a young woman. If a husband divorced his wife, the wife's dowry, as a general rule, was restored; and the same was the case when the divorce took place by mutual consent.

Corresponding to the forms of marriage by *confarreatio* and *coemptio*, there were the forms of divorce by *diffarreatio* and *remancipatio*. In course of time, less ceremony was used; but still some distinct notice or declaration of intention was necessary to constitute a divorce.

The term *repudium*, it is said, properly applies to a marriage only contracted, and *divortium* to an actual marriage; but sometimes *divortium* and *repudium* appear to be used indifferently. The phrases to express a divorce are, *nuncium remittere*, *divortium facere*; and the form of words might be as follows—*Tuas res tibi habeto, tuas res tibi agito*. The phrases used to express the renunciation of a marriage contract were, *renunciare repudium*, *repudium remittere*, *dicere*, and *repudiare*; and the form of words might be, *Conditione tua non utor*.

DOCIMASIA (*δοκιμασία*). When any citizen of Athens was either appointed by lot, or chosen by suffrage, to hold a public office, he was obliged, before entering on his duties, to submit to a *docimasia*, or scrutiny into his previous life and conduct, in which any person could object to him as unfit. The *docimasia*, however, was not confined to persons appointed to public offices; for we read of the

denouncement of a scrutiny against orators who spoke in the assembly while leading profligate lives, or after having committed flagitious crimes.

DO'LIIUM, a cylindrical vessel, somewhat resembling our tubs or casks, into which new wine was put to let it ferment.

DOMINIUM signifies quiritarian ownership, or property in a thing; and *dominus*, or *dominus legitimus*, is the owner. The *dominus* has the power of dealing with a thing as he pleases, and differs from the bare *possessor*, who has only the right of possession, and has not the absolute ownership of the thing.

DOMUS (*οἶκος*), a house. 1. GREEK. A Greek house was always divided into two distinct portions, the *Andronitis*, or men's apartments (*ἀνδρωνίτις*), and the *Gynaecitis*, or women's apartments (*γυναικωνίτις*). In the earliest times, as in the houses referred to by Homer, and in some houses at a later period, the women's apartments were in the upper story (*ὑπερφών*), but usually at a later time the *gynaecitis* was on the same story with the *andronitis*, and behind it.

The front of the house towards the street was not large, as the apartments extended rather in the direction of its depth than of its width. In towns the houses were often built side by side, with party-walls between. The exterior wall was plain, being composed generally of stone, brick, and timber, and often covered with stucco.

There was no open space between the street and the house-door, like the Roman *vestibulum*. The *πρόθυρα*, which is sometimes mentioned, seems to be merely the space in front of the house. In front of the house was generally an altar of Apollo Agyieus, or a rude obelisk emblematic of the god. Sometimes there was a laurel tree in the same position, and sometimes a head of the god Mercury.

A few steps (*ἀναβαθμοί*) led up to the house-door, which generally bore some inscription, for the sake of a good omen, or as a charm. The door sometimes opened outwards; but this seems to have been an exception to the general rule, as is proved by the expressions used for opening, *ἐνδύειναι*, and shutting it, *ἐπισπᾶσθαι* and *ἐφελκύσασθαι*. The handles were called *ἐπισπαστήρες*.

The house-door was called *αὔλειος* or *αὔλεια θύρα*, because it led to the *αὔλη*. It gave admittance to a narrow passage (*θυρωρεῖον*, *πυλῶν*, *θυρῶν*), on one side of which, in a large house, were the stables, on the other the porter's lodge. The duty of the porter (*θυρωρός*) was to admit visitors and to prevent anything improper from being carried into or out of the house. The porter was at-

tended by a dog. Hence the phrase *εὐλαβεῖσθαι τὴν κύνα*, corresponding to the Latin *Cave canem*.

From the *θυρωρεῖον* we pass into the peristyle or court (*περιστύλιον*, *αὔλη*) of the *andronitis*, which was a space open to the sky in the centre (*ὑπαίθρον*), and surrounded on all four sides by porticoes (*στοαί*), of which one, probably that nearest the entrance, was called *προστώον*. These porticoes were used for exercise, and sometimes for dining in. Here was commonly the altar on which sacrifices were offered to the household gods. In building the porticoes the object sought was to obtain as much sun in winter, and as much shade and air in summer, as possible.

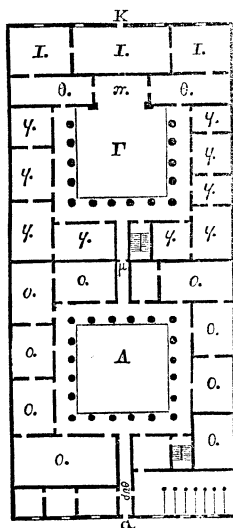
Round the peristyle were arranged the chambers used by the men, such as banqueting rooms (*οἶκοι*, *ἀνδράνες*), which were large enough to contain several sets of couches (*τρίκλινοι*, *ἐπτάκλινοι*, *τριακοντάκλινοι*), and at the same time to allow abundant room for attendants, musicians, and performers of games; parlours or sitting rooms (*ἐξέδραι*), and smaller chambers and sleeping rooms (*δωμάτια*, *κοιτῶνες*, *οἰκήματα*); picture-galleries and libraries, and sometimes store-rooms; and in the arrangement of these apartments attention was paid to their aspect.

The peristyle of the *andronitis* was connected with that of the *gynaecitis* by a door called *μέταυλος*, *μέσανυλος*, or *μεσαύλιος*, which was in the middle of the portico of the peristyle opposite to the entrance. By means of this door all communication between the *andronitis* and *gynaecitis* could be shut off. Accordingly Xenophon calls it *θύρα βαλανωτός*. Its name *μέσανυλος* is evidently derived from *μέσος*, and means the door *between* the two *αὔλαι* or peristyles.

This door gave admittance to the peristyle of the *gynaecitis*, which differed from that of the *andronitis* in having porticoes round only three of its sides. On the fourth side were placed two antae [*ΑΝΤΑΕ*], at a considerable distance from each other. A third of the distance between these antae was set off inwards, thus forming a chamber or vestibule, which was called *προστάς*, *παραστάς*, *πρόδρομος*. On the right and left of this *προστάς* were two bedchambers, the *θάλαμος* and *ἀμφιθάλαμος*, of which the former was the principal bedchamber of the house, and here also seem to have been kept the vases, and other valuable articles of ornament. Beyond these rooms were large apartments (*ιστῶνες*) used for working in wool. Round the peristyle were the eating-rooms, bed-chambers, store-rooms, and other apartments in common use.

Besides the *αὔλειος θύρα* and the *μέσανλος θύρα*, there was a third door (*κηπαία θύρα*) leading to the garden.

The following is a conjectural plan of the ground-floor of a Greek house of the larger size.



Ground Plan of a Greek House.

α, House-door, *αὔλειος θύρα*: *θυρ*, passage, *θυρωρεῖον* or *θυρών*: Δ, peristyle, or *αὐλή* of the andronitis; ο, the halls and chambers of the andronitis; μ, *μέτανλος* or *μέσανλος θύρα*; Γ, peristyle of the gynaeconitis; γ, chambers of the gynaeconitis; π, *προστάς* or *παρυστάς*; θ, *θάλαμος* and *ὑψιθάλαμος*; Ι, rooms for working in wool (*ιστώνες*); Κ, garden-door, *κηπαία θύρα*.

There was usually, though not always, an upper story (*ὑπερῶν, δῆρες*), which seldom extended over the whole space occupied by the lower story. The principal use of the upper story was for the lodging of the slaves. The access to the upper floor seems to have been sometimes by stairs on the outside of the house, leading up from the street. Guests were also lodged in the upper story. But in some large houses there were rooms set apart for their reception (*ξενῶνες*) on the ground-floor.

The roofs were generally flat, and it was customary to walk about upon them.

In the interior of the house the place ο. doors was sometimes supplied by curtains (*παραπετάσματα*), which were either plain, or dyed, or embroidered.

The principal openings for the admission of light and air were in the roofs of the peristyles; but it is incorrect to suppose that the houses had no windows (*θυρίδες*), or at least none overlooking the street. They were not at all uncommon.

Artificial warmth was procured partly by means of fire-places. It is supposed that chimneys were altogether unknown, and that the smoke escaped through an opening in the roof (*καπνοδόκη*), but it is not easy to understand how this could be the case when there was an upper story. Little portable stoves (*ἐσχάραι, ἐσχαρίδες*) or chafing-dishes (*ἀνθράκια*) were frequently used.

The houses of the wealthy in the country, at least in Attica, were much larger and more magnificent than those in the towns. The latter seem to have been generally small and plain, especially in earlier times, when the Greeks preferred expending the resources of art and wealth on their temples and public buildings; but the private houses became more magnificent as the public buildings began to be neglected.

The decorations of the interior were very plain at the period to which our description refers. The floors were of stone. At a late period coloured stones were used. Mosaics are first mentioned under the kings of Pergamus.

The walls, up to the 4th century B. C., seemed to have been only whitened. The first instance of painting them is that of Alcibiades. This innovation met with considerable opposition. We have also mention of painted ceilings at the same period. At a later period this mode of decoration became general.

2. ROMAN. The houses of the Romans were poor and mean for many centuries after the foundation of the city. Till the war with Pyrrhus the houses were covered only with thatch or shingles, and were usually built of wood or unbaked bricks. It was not till the later times of the republic, when wealth had been acquired by conquests in the East, that houses of any splendour began to be built; but it then became the fashion not only to build houses of an immense size, but also to adorn them with columns, paintings, statues, and costly works of art.

Some idea may be formed of the size and magnificence of the houses of the Roman nobles during the later times of the republic by the price which they fetched. The consul

Messala bought the house of Autronius for 7700 sesteria (nearly 33,000*l.*), and Cicero the house of Crassus, on the Palatine, for 3500 sesteria (nearly 31,000*l.*) The house of Publius Clodius, whom Milo killed, cost 14,800 sesteria (about 131,000*l.*); and the Tusculan villa of Scaurus was fitted up with such magnificence, that when it was burnt by his slaves, he lost 100,000 sesteria, upwards of 885,000*l.*

Houses were originally only one story high; but as the value of ground increased in the city they were built several stories in height, and the highest floors were usually inhabited by the poor. Till the time of Nero, the streets in Rome were narrow and irregular, and bore traces of the haste and confusion with which the city was built after it had been burnt by the Gauls; but after the great fire in the time of that emperor, by which two-thirds of Rome was burnt to the ground, the city was built with great regularity. The streets were made straight and broad; the height of the houses was restricted, and a certain part of each was required to be built of Gabian or Alban stone, which was proof against fire.

The principal parts of a Roman house were the, 1. *Vestibulum*, 2. *Ostium*, 3. *Atrium*, or *Cavum Aedium*, 4. *Alae*, 5. *Tablinum*, 6. *Fauces*, 7. *Peristylum*. The parts of a house which were considered of less importance, and of which the arrangement differed in different houses, were the, 1. *Cubicula*, 2. *Triclinia*, 3. *Oeci*, 4. *Exedrae*, 5. *Pinacotheca*, 6. *Bibliotheca*, 7. *Balneum*, 8. *Culina*, 9. *Coenacula*, 10. *Diaeta*, 11. *Solaria*. We shall speak of each in order.

1. *VESTIBULUM* did not properly form part of the house, but was a vacant space before the door, forming a court, which was surrounded on three sides by the house, and was open on the fourth to the street.

2. *OSTIUM*, which is also called *janua fores*, was the entrance to the house. The street-door admitted into a hall, to which the name of ostium was also given, and in which there was frequently a small room (*cella*) for the porter (*janitor* or *ostiarius*), and also for a dog, which was usually kept in the hall to guard the house. Another door (*janua interior*) opposite the street-door led into the atrium.

3. *ATRIUM* or *CAVUM AEDIUM*, also written *Cavedium*, are probably only different names of the same room.

The Atrium or Cavum Aedium was a large apartment roofed over with the exception of an opening in the centre, called *compluvium*, towards which the roof sloped so as to throw the rain-water into a cistern in the floor, termed

impluvium, which was frequently ornamented with statues, columns, and other works of art. The word *impluvium*, however, is also employed to denote the aperture in the roof.

The atrium was the most important room in the house, and among the wealthy was usually fitted up with much splendour and magnificence. Originally it was the only sitting-room in the house; but in the houses of the wealthy it was distinct from the private apartments, and was used as a reception-room, where the patron received his clients, and the great and noble the numerous visitors who were accustomed to call every morning to pay their respects or solicit favours. But though the atrium was not used by the wealthy as a sitting-room for the family, it still continued to be employed for many purposes which it had originally served. Thus the nuptial couch was placed in the atrium opposite the door, and also the instruments and materials for spinning and weaving, which were formerly carried on by the women of the family in this room. Here also the images of their ancestors were placed, and the focus or fire-place, which possessed a sacred character; being dedicated to the Lares of each family.

4. *ALAE*, wings, were small apartments or recesses on the left and right sides of the atrium.

5. *TABLINUM* was in all probability a recess or room at the farther end of the atrium opposite the door leading into the hall, and was regarded as part of the atrium. It contained the family records and archives.

With the tablinum the Roman house appears to have originally ceased; and the sleeping-rooms were probably arranged on each side of the atrium. But when the atrium and its surrounding rooms were used for the reception of clients and other public visitors, it became necessary to increase the size of the house; and the following rooms were accordingly added:—

6. *FAUCES* appear to have been passages, which passed from the atrium to the peristylum or interior of the house.

7. *PERISTYLIUM* was in its general form like the atrium, but it was one-third greater in breadth, measured transversely, than in length. It was a court open to the sky in the middle; the open part, which was surrounded by columns, was larger than the impluvium in the atrium, and was frequently decorated with flowers and shrubs.

The arrangement of the rooms, which are next to be noticed, varied according to the taste and circumstances of the owner. It is

therefore impossible to assign to them any regular place in the house.

1. *CUBICULA*, bed-chambers, appear to have been usually small. There were separate *cubicula* for the day and night; the latter were also called *dormitoria*.

2. *TRICLINIA* are treated of in a separate article. [*TRICLINIUM*.]

3. *ŌECI*, from the Greek *οἶκος*, were spacious halls or saloons borrowed from the Greeks, and were frequently used as *triclinia*. They were to have the same proportions as *triclinia*, but were to be more spacious on account of having columns, which *triclinia* had not.

4. *EXEDRAE* were rooms for conversation and the other purposes of society.

5. *PANACOTHECA*, a picture-gallery.

6, 7. *BIBLIOTHECA* and *BALINEUM* are treated of in separate articles.

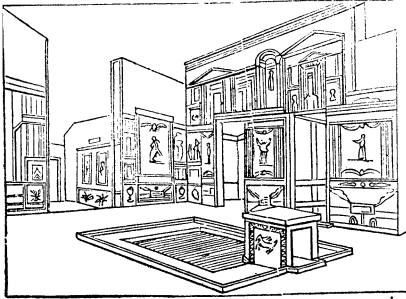
8. *ŌULINA*, the kitchen. The food was originally cooked in the atrium; but the progress of refinement afterwards led to the use of another part of the house for this purpose.

9. *COENACULA*, properly signified rooms to dine in; but after it became the fashion to dine in the upper part of the house, the whole of the rooms above the ground-floor were called *coenacula*.

10. *DIAETA*, an apartment used for dining in, and for the other purposes of life. It appears to have been smaller than the *triclinium*. *Diaeta* is also the name given by Pliny to rooms containing three or four bed-chambers (*cubicula*). Pleasure-houses or summer-houses are also called *diaetae*.

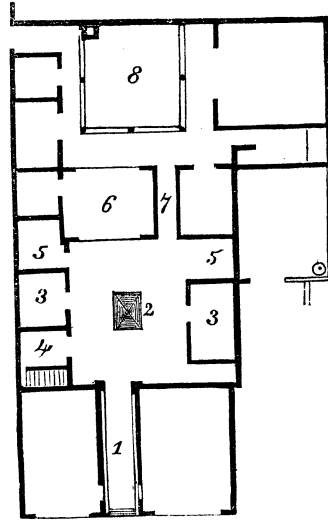
11. *SOLARIA*, properly places for basking in the sun, were terraces on the tops of houses.

The cut annexed represents the atrium of a house at Pompeii. In the centre is the impluvium, and the passage at the further end, is the *ostium* or entrance hall.



Atrium of the House of Ceres at Pompeii.

The preceding account of the different rooms, and especially of the arrangement of the atrium, tablinum, peristyle, &c., is best illustrated by the houses which have been discovered at Pompeii. The ground-plan of one is accordingly subjoined.



Ground Plan of a Roman House.

Like most of the other houses at Pompeii, it had no vestibulum according to the meaning given above. 1. The *ostium* or entrance-hall, which is six feet wide and nearly thirty long. Near the street-door there is a figure of a large fierce dog worked in mosaic on the pavement, and beneath it is written *Cave Canem*. The two large rooms on each side of the vestibule appear from the large openings in front of them to have been shops; they communicate with the entrance hall, and were therefore probably occupied by the master of the house. 2. The *atrium*, which is about twenty-eight feet in length and twenty in breadth; its *impluvium* is near the centre of the room, and its floor is paved with white tesserae, spotted with black. 3. Chambers for the use of the family, or intended for the reception of guests, who were entitled to claim hospitality. 4. A small room with a stair-case leading up to the upper rooms. 5. *Alae*. 6. The *tablinum*. 7. The *fauces*. 8. Peristyle, with Doric columns and garden in the centre.

The large room on the right of the peristyle is the triclinium; beside it is the kitchen; and the smaller apartments are cubacula and other rooms for the use of the family.

Having given a general description of the rooms of a Roman house, it remains to speak of the (1) floors, (2) walls, (3) ceilings, (4) windows, and (5) the mode of warming the rooms. For the doors, see JANUA.

(1.) The floor (*solum*) of a room was seldom boarded: it was generally covered with stone or marble, or mosaics. The common floors were paved with pieces of bricks, tiles, stones, &c., forming a kind of composition called *ruderatio*. Sometimes pieces of marble were imbedded in a composition ground, and these probably gave the idea of mosaics. As these floors were beaten down (*pavita*) with rammers (*fistulae*), the word *pavimentum* became the general name for a floor. Mosaics, called by Pliny *lithostrota* (λίθοστρωτα), though this word has a more extensive meaning, first came into use in Sulla's time, who made one in the temple of Fortune at Praeneste. Mosaic work was afterwards called *Musivum opus*, and was most extensively employed.

(2.) The inner walls (*parietes*) of private rooms were frequently lined with slabs of marble, but were more usually covered by paintings, which in the time of Augustus were made upon the walls themselves. This practice was so common that we find even the small houses in Pompeii have paintings upon their walls.

(3.) The ceilings seem originally to have been left uncovered, the beams which supported the roof or the upper story being visible. Afterwards planks were placed across these beams at certain intervals, leaving hollow spaces, called *lacunaria* or *laquearia*, which were frequently covered with gold and ivory, and sometimes with paintings. There was an arched ceiling in common use, called *CAMARA*.

(4.) The Roman houses had few windows (*fenestrae*). The principal apartments, the atrium, peristyle, &c., were lighted from above, and the cubacula and other small rooms generally derived their light from them, and not from windows looking into the street. The rooms only on the upper story seem to have been usually lighted by windows.

The windows appear originally to have been merely openings in the wall, closed by means of shutters, which frequently had two leaves (*bifors fenestrae*).

Windows were also sometimes covered by a kind of lattice or trellis work (*clathri*), and sometimes by net-work, to prevent ser-

pents and other noxious reptiles from getting in.

Afterwards, however, windows were made of a transparent stone, called *lapis specularis* (mica); such windows were called *specularia*. Windows made of glass (*vitrum*) are first mentioned by Lactantius, who lived in the fourth century of the Christian era; but the discoveries at Pompeii prove that glass was used for windows under the early emperors.

(5.) The rooms were heated in winter in different ways; but the Romans had no stoves like ours. The cubacula, triclina, and other rooms, which were intended for winter use, were built in that part of the house upon which the sun shone most; and in the mild climate of Italy this frequently enabled them to dispense with any artificial mode of warming the rooms. Rooms exposed to the sun were sometimes called *heliocamini*. The rooms were sometimes heated by hot air, which was introduced by means of pipes from a furnace below, but more frequently by portable furnaces or braziers (*foculi*), in which coal or charcoal was burnt. The *caminus* was also a kind of stove, in which wood appears to have been usually burnt, and probably only differed from the *foculus* in being larger and fixed to one place. The rooms usually had no chimneys for carrying off the smoke, but the smoke escaped through the windows, doors, and openings in the roof; but still chimneys do not appear to have been entirely unknown to the ancients, as some are said to have been found in the ruins of ancient buildings.

DONARIA (*ἀναθήματα* or *ἀνακείμενα*), presents made to the gods, either by individuals or communities. Sometimes they are also called *dona* or *δῶρα*. The belief that the gods were pleased with costly presents was as natural to the ancients as the belief that they could be influenced in their conduct towards men by the offering of sacrifices; and, indeed, both sprang from the same feeling. Presents were mostly given as tokens of gratitude for some favour which a god had bestowed on man; as, for instance, by persons who had recovered from illness or escaped from shipwreck; but some are also mentioned, which were intended to induce the deity to grant some especial favour. Almost all presents were dedicated in temples, to which in some places an especial building was added, in which these treasures were preserved. Such buildings were called *θησαυροί* (treasuries); and in the most frequented temples of Greece many states had their separate treasuries. The act of dedication was called *ἀνατίθεσθαι*, *donare*, *dedicare*, or *sacrare*.

DONATIVUM. [**CONGIARIUM.**]

DOORS. [JANUA.]

DORMITORIA. [HOUSE.]

DOS (φερνή, προίξ), dowry. 1. GREEK.

In the Homeric times it was customary for the husband to purchase his wife from her relations, by gifts called *ἐδνα* or *ἐξδνα*. But at Athens, during the historical period, the contrary was the case; for every woman had to bring her husband some dowry, and so universal was the practice, that one of the chief distinctions between a wife and a *παλλακή*, or concubine, consisted in the former having a portion, whereas the latter had not; hence, persons who married wives without portions appear to have given them or their guardians an acknowledgment in writing by which the receipt of a portion was admitted. Moreover, poor heiresses were either married or portioned by their next of kin, according to a law, which fixed the amount of portion to be given at five minae by a Pentacosioemimus, three by a Horseman, and one and a half by a Zeugites. The husband had to give to the relatives or guardians of the wife security (*ἀποτίμημα*) for the dowry, which was not considered the property of the husband himself, but rather of his wife and children. The portion was returned to the wife in case of a divorce.

2. ROMAN. The *dos* among the Romans was everything which on the occasion of a woman's marriage was transferred by her, or by another person, to the husband. All the property of the wife which was not made *dos* continued to be her own, and was comprised under the name of *parapherna*. The *dos* upon its delivery became the husband's property, and continued to be his so long as the marriage relation existed.

In the case of divorce, the woman, or her relations, could bring an action for the restitution of the *dos*; and, accordingly, a woman whose *dos* was large (*dotata uxor*) had some influence over her husband, inasmuch as she had the power of divorcing herself, and thus of depriving him of the enjoyment of her property.

DOWRY. [Dos.]

DRACHMA (δραχμή), the principal silver coin among the Greeks. The two chief standards in the currencies of the Greek states were the Attic and Aeginetan. The average value of the Attic Drachma was $9\frac{1}{4}d.$ of our money. It contained six obols (*ὀβολοί*); and the Athenians had separate silver coins, from four drachmae to a quarter of an obol. There were also silver pieces of two drachmae and four drachmae. The following table gives the value in English money of the Athenian coins, from a quarter obol to a tetradrachm:

	Shill.	Pence.	Farth.
$\frac{1}{4}$ Obol			1.625
$\frac{1}{2}$ Obol			3.25
Obol		1	2.5
Diobolus		3	1
Triobolus		4	3.5
Tetrobolus		6	2
Drachma		9	3
Didrachm	1	7	2
Tetradrachm	3	3	

The Mina contained 100 drachmae, and was consequently equal to 4*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.*; and the talent 60 minae, and was thus equal to 243*l.* 15*s.* Respecting the value of the different talents among the Greeks, see *TALENTUM*.

The tetradrachm in later times was called *stater*. The latter word also signifies a gold coin, equal in value to twenty drachmae. [STATER.]

The obolos, in later times, was of bronze, but in the best times of Athens we only read of silver obols. The *χαλκοῦς* was a copper coin, and the eighth part of an obol.



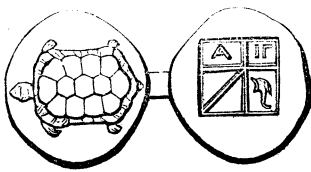
Attic Drachma.

The Attic standard prevailed most in the maritime and commercial states. It was the standard of Philip's gold, and was introduced by Alexander for silver also. The Aeginetan standard appears to have been the prevalent one in early times: we are told that money was first coined at Aegina by order of Pheidon of Argos. In later times the Aeginetan standard was used in almost all the states of the Peloponnesus, except Corinth. The average value of the Aeginetan drachma was 1*s.* 1*½d.* in our money; and the values of the different coins of this standard are as follows:—

	Shill.	Pence.	Farth.
$\frac{1}{4}$ Obol		1	0.583
Obol		2	1.166
Diobolus		4	2.33
Triobolus		6	2.5
Drachma	1	1	3
Didrachma	2	3	2

As the Romans reckoned in sesterces, so the Greeks generally reckoned by drachmae; and when a sum is mentioned in the Attic

writers, without any specification of the unit, drachmae are usually meant.



Aeginetan Drachma.

DRAUGHTS, game at. [LATRUNCULI] **DRUM**. [TYMPANUM.]

DUCENARIIL. 1. The name given to the Roman procurators, who received a salary of 200 sestertia. The procurators first received a salary in the time of Augustus.

2. A class or decuria of judges, first established by Augustus. They were so called because their property, as valued in the census, only amounted to 200 sestertia. They appear to have tried causes of small importance.

DUCENTE'SIMA was a tax of half per cent upon all things sold at public auctions. The centesima, or tax of one per cent, was first established by Augustus, and was reduced to half per cent by Tiberius.

DUPONDIIUS. [As.]

DUUMVIRI, or the two men, the name of various magistrates and functionaries at Rome, and in the coloniae and municipia. 1. **DUUMVIRI JURI DICUNDO** were the highest magistrates in the municipal towns. [COLONIA.] 2. **DUUMVIRI NAVALES**, extraordinary magistrates, who were created, whenever occasion required, for the purpose of equipping and repairing the fleet. They appear to have been originally appointed by the consuls and dictators, but were first elected by the people, B. C. 311. 3. **DUUMVIRI PERDUELLIONIS**. [PERDUELLIO.] 4. **DUUMVIRI QUINQUENNALES**, were the censors in the municipal towns, and must not be confounded with the *duumviri juri dicundo*. [COLONIA.] 5. **DUUMVIRI SACRORUM** originally had the charge of the Sibylline books. Their duties were afterwards discharged by the *decemviri sacris faciundis*. [DECENVIRI.] 6. **DUUMVIRI** were also appointed for the purpose of building or dedicating a temple.

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ECCLE'SIA (ἐκκλησία), the name of the general assembly of the citizens at Athens, in which they met to discuss and determine

upon matters of public interest, and which was therefore the sovereign power in the state. These assemblies were either *ordinary* (νόμοι or κρυπταί), and held four times in each prytany, or *extraordinary*, that is, specially convened, upon any sudden emergency, and therefore called *σύγκλητοι*.

The place in which they were anciently held was the *agora*. Afterwards they were transferred to the Pnyx, and at last to the great theatre of Bacchus, and other places. The most usual place, however, was the Pnyx, which was situated to the west of the Areiopagus, on a slope connected with Mount Lycabettus, and partly at least within the walls of the city. It was semicircular in form, with a boundary wall, part rock and part masonry, and an area of about 12,000 square yards. On the north the ground was filled up and paved with large stones, so as to get a level surface on the slope. Towards this side, and close to the wall, was the *bema* (βῆμα), a stone platform or hustings ten or eleven feet high, with an ascent of steps. The position of the *bema* was such as to command a view of the sea from behind, and of the Propylaea and Parthenon in front, and we may be sure that the Athenian orators would often rouse the national feelings of their hearers by pointing to the assemblage of magnificent edifices, "monuments of Athenian gratitude and glory," which they had in view from the Pnyx.

The right of convening the people was generally vested in the prytanes or presidents of the Council of Five Hundred [see BOULE], but in cases of sudden emergency, and especially during wars, the strategi also had the power of calling extraordinary meetings, for which, however, the consent of the senate appears to have been necessary. The prytanes not only gave a previous notice of the day of assembly, and published a programme of the subjects to be discussed, but also, it appears, sent a crier round to collect the citizens. All persons who did not obey the call were subject to a fine, and six magistrates called *lexiarchs* were appointed, whose duty it was to take care that the people attended the meetings, and to levy fines on those who refused to do so. With a view to this, whenever an assembly was to be held, certain public slaves (ἐκκλησιαστικὸι or τοξόται) were sent round to sweep the agora, and other places of public resort, with a rope coloured with vermilion. The different persons whom these ropemen met, were driven by them towards the ecclesia, and those who refused to go were marked by the rope and fined. An additional inducement to attend, with the poorer classes, was the *μισθὸς ἐκκλησιαστικός*, or pay which they re-

ceived for it. The payment was originally an obolus, but was afterwards raised to three.

The right of attending was enjoyed by all legitimate citizens who were of the proper age (generally supposed to be twenty, certainly not less than eighteen), and not labouring under any *atimia*, or loss of civil rights.

In the article *ΒΟΥΛΗ* it is explained who the *prytanes* and the *proedri* were; and we may here remark, that it was the duty of the *proedri* of the same tribe, under the presidency of their chairman (*ὁ ἐπιστάτης*), to lay before the people the subjects to be discussed; to read, or cause to be read, the previous bill (*τὸ πρόβουλεμμα*) of the senate, without which no measure could be brought before the ecclesia, and to give permission to the speakers to address the people. The officers who acted under them, were the crier (*ὁ κήρυξ*), and the Scythian bowmen.

Previous, however, to the commencement of any business, the place was purified by the offering of sacrifices, and then the gods were implored in a prayer to bless the proceedings of the meeting.

The privilege of addressing the assembly was not confined to any class or age among those who had the right to be present: all, without any distinction, were invited to do so by the proclamation, *Τίς ἀγορεύει βούλεται*, which was made by the crier after the *proedri* had gone through the necessary preliminaries, and laid the subject of discussion before the meeting; for though, according to the institutions of Solon, those persons who were above fifty years of age ought to have been called upon to speak first, this regulation had in later times become quite obsolete. The speakers are sometimes simply called *οἱ παρόντες*, and appear to have worn a crown of myrtle on their heads while addressing the assembly. The most influential and practised speakers of the assembly were generally distinguished by the name of *ρήτορες*.

After the speakers had concluded, any one was at liberty to propose a decree, whether drawn up beforehand or framed in the meeting, which, however, it was necessary to present to the *proedri*, that they might see, in conjunction with the *nomophylaces*, whether there was contained in it anything injurious to the state or contrary to the existing laws. If not, it was read by the crier; though even after the reading, the chairman could prevent it being put to the vote, unless his opposition was overborne by threats and clamours. Private individuals also could do the same, by engaging upon oath (*ὅπωμοσία*) to bring against the author of any measure they might object to, an accusation called a *γραφὴ παρα-*

νόμων. If, however, the chairman refused to submit any question to the decision of the people, he might be proceeded against by *endeixis*; and if he allowed the people to vote upon a proposal which was contrary to existing constitutional laws, he was in some cases liable to *atimia*. If, on the contrary, no opposition of this sort was offered to a proposed decree, the votes of the people were taken, by the permission of the chairman and with the consent of the rest of the *proedri*. The decision of the people was given either by show of hands, or by ballot, *i. e.* by casting pebbles into urns (*καδίσκοι*); the former was expressed by the word *χειροτονεῖν*, the latter by *ψηφίζεσθαι*, although the two terms are frequently confounded. The more usual method of voting was by show of hands, as being more expeditious and convenient (*χειροτονία*). Vote by ballot, on the other hand, was only used in a few special cases determined by law; as, for instance, when a proposition was made for allowing those who had suffered *atimia* to appeal to the people for restitution of their former rights; or for inflicting extraordinary punishments on atrocious offenders, and generally, upon any matter which affected private persons. In cases of this sort it was settled by law, that a decree should not be valid unless six thousand citizens at least voted in favour of it. This was by far the majority of those citizens who were in the habit of attending; for, in time of war, the number never amounted to five thousand, and in time of peace seldom to ten thousand.

The determination or decree of the people was called a *ψήφισμα*, which properly signifies a law proposed to an assembly, and approved of by the people. Respecting the form for drawing up a *ψήφισμα*, see *ΒΟΥΛΗ*.

When the business was over, the order for the dismissal of the assembly was given by the *prytanes*, through the proclamation of the crier; and as it was not customary to continue meetings, which usually began early in the morning, till after sunset, if one day were not sufficient for the completion of any business, it was adjourned to the next. But an assembly was sometimes broken up, if any one, whether a magistrate or private individual, declared that he saw an unfavourable omen, or perceived thunder or lightning. The sudden appearance of rain also, or the shock of an earthquake, or any natural phenomenon of the kind called *δισσημαί*, was a sufficient reason for the hasty adjournment of an assembly.

EDICTUM. The *Jus Edicendi*, or power of making edicts, belonged to the higher *magistratus populi Romani*, but it was principally

exercised by the two praetors, the praetor urbanus, and the praetor peregrinus, whose jurisdiction was exercised in the provinces by the praeses. The curule aediles likewise made many edicts; and tribunes, censors, and pontifices also promulgated edicts relating to the matters of their respective jurisdictions. The edicta were among the sources of Roman law.

The edictum may be described generally as a rule promulgated by a magistratus on entering on his office, which was done by writing it on an album and placing it in a conspicuous place. As the office of a magistratus was annual, the rules promulgated by a predecessor were not binding on a successor, but he might confirm or adopt the rules of his predecessor, and introduce them into his own edict, and hence such adopted rules were called *edictum tralatitum*, or *vetus*, as opposed to *edictum novum*. A *repentinum edictum* was that rule which was made (*prout res incidit*) for the occasion. A *perpetuum edictum* was that rule which was made by the magistratus on entering upon office, and which was intended to apply to all cases to which it was applicable, during the year of his office: hence it was sometimes called also *annua lex*. Until it became the practice for magistratus to adopt the edicta of their predecessors, the edicta could not form a body of permanent binding rules; but when this practice became common, the edicta (*edictum tralatitum*) soon constituted a large body of law, which was practically of as much importance as any other part of the law.

EICOSTE' (*εἰκοστή*), a tax or duty of one-twentieth (five per cent.) upon all commodities exported or imported by sea in the states of the allies subject to Athens. This tax was first imposed B. C. 413; in the place of the direct tribute which had up to this time been paid by the subject allies; and the change was made with the hope of raising a greater revenue. This tax, like all others, was farmed, and the farmers of it were called *εἰκοστολόγοι*.

EIREN or IREN (*εἰρήνη* or *ἰρην*), the name given to the Spartan youth when he attained the age of twenty. At the age of eighteen he emerged from childhood, and was called *μετ' ἑλπίην*. When he had attained his twentieth year, he began to exercise a direct influence over his juniors, and was entrusted with the command of troops in battle. The word appears to have originally signified a commander. The *ἱρένες* mentioned in Herodotus, in connection with the battle of Plataeae, were certainly not youths, but commanders.

EISANGELIA (*εἰσαγγελία*), signifies, in its primary and most general sense, a denun-

ciation of any kind, but, much more usually, an information laid before the council or the assembly of the people, and the consequent impeachment and trial of state criminals at Athens under novel or extraordinary circumstances. Among these were the occasions upon which manifest crimes were alleged to have been committed, and yet of such a nature as the existing laws had failed to anticipate, or at least describe specifically (*ἀγραφα ἁδικήματα*), the result of which omission would have been, but for the enactment by which the accusations in question might be preferred (*νόμος εἰσαγγελεῖσθαι*), that a prosecutor would not have known to what magistrate to apply; that a magistrate, if applied to, could not with safety have accepted the indictment or brought it into court; and that, in short, there would have been a total failure of justice.

EISPHORA (*εἰσφορά*) an extraordinary tax on property, raised at Athens, whenever the means of the state were not sufficient to carry on a war.

It is not quite certain when this property-tax was introduced; but it seems to have come first into general use about B. C. 428. It could never be raised without a decree of the people, who also assigned the amount required; and the *strategi*, or generals, superintended its collection, and presided in the courts where disputes connected with, or arising from, the levying of the tax were settled. The usual expressions for paying this property-tax are: *εἰσφέρειν χρήματα*, *εἰσφέρειν εἰς τὸν πόλεμον*, *εἰς τὴν σωτηρίαν τῆς πόλεως*, *εἰσφοράς εἰσφέρειν*, and those who paid it were called *οἱ εἰσφέροντες*.

The census of Solon was at first the standard according to which the *eisphora* was raised, until in B. C. 377 a new census was instituted, in which the people, for the purpose of fixing the rates of the property-tax, were divided into a number of *symmoriae* (*συμμορίαι*) or classes, similar to those which were afterwards made for the trierarchy. Each of the ten tribes or phylae, appointed 120 of its wealthier citizens; and the whole number of persons included in the *symmoriae* was thus 1200, who were considered as the representatives of the whole republic. This body of 1200 was divided into four classes, each consisting of 300. The first class, or the richest, were the leaders of the *symmoriae* (*ἡγεμόνες συμμοριῶν*), and are often called the three hundred. They probably conducted the proceedings of the *symmoriae*, and they, or which is more likely, the demarchs, had to value the taxable property. Other officers were appointed to make out the lists of the rates, and

were called *ἐπιγραφεῖς*, *διαγραφεῖς* or *ἐκλογεῖς*. When the wants of the state were pressing, the 300 leaders advanced the money to the others, who paid it back to the 300 at the regular time. The first class probably consisted of persons who possessed property from 12 talents upwards: the second class, of persons who possessed property from 6 talents and upwards, but under 12: the third class, of persons who possessed property from 2 talents upwards, but under 6: the fourth class, of persons who possessed property from 25 minae upwards, but under 2 talents. The rate of taxation was higher or lower according to the wants of the republic at the time; we have accounts of rates of a 12th, a 50th, a 100th, and a 500th part of the taxable property.

If any one thought that his property was taxed higher than that of another man on whom juster claims could be made, he had the right to call upon this person to take the office in his stead, or to submit to a complete exchange of property. [ANTIDOSIS.] No Athenian, on the other hand, if belonging to the tax-paying classes, could be exempt from the *eisphora*, not even the descendants of Harmodius and Aristogeiton.

ELEVEN, The. [HENEDECA.]

ELEUSINIA (*ἑλευσίνα*), a festival and mysteries, originally celebrated only at Eleusis in Attica, in honour of Ceres and Proserpina. The Eleusinian mysteries, or *the* mysteries, as they were sometimes called, were the holiest and most venerable of all that were celebrated in Greece. Various traditions were current among the Greeks, respecting the author of these mysteries; for, while some considered Eumolpus or Musaeus to be their founder, others stated that they had been introduced from Egypt by Erechtheus, who at a time of scarcity provided his country with corn from Egypt, and imported from the same quarter the sacred rites and mysteries of Eleusis. A third tradition attributed the institution to Ceres herself, who, when wandering about in search of her daughter, Proserpina, was believed to have come to Attica, in the reign of Erechtheus, to have supplied its inhabitants with corn, and to have instituted the mysteries at Eleusis. This last opinion seems to have been the most common among the ancients, and in subsequent times a stone was shown near the well Callichoras at Eleusis, on which the goddess, overwhelmed with grief and fatigue, was believed to have rested on her arrival in Attica. All the accounts and allusions in ancient writers seem to warrant the conclusion, that the legends concerning the introduction of the

Eleusinia are descriptions of a period when the inhabitants of Attica were becoming acquainted with the benefits of agriculture and of a regularly constituted form of society.

In the reign of Erechtheus a war is said to have broken out between the Athenians and Eleusinians; and when the latter were defeated, they acknowledged the supremacy of Athens in everything except the mysteries, which they wished to conduct and regulate for themselves. Thus the superintendence remained with the descendants of Eumolpus [EUMOLPIDÆ], the daughters of the Eleusinian king Celeus, and a third class of priests, the Ceryces, who seem likewise to have been connected with the family of Eumolpus, though they themselves traced their origin to Mercury and Aglauros.

At the time when the local governments of the several townships of Attica were concentrated at Athens, the capital became also the centre of religion, and several deities who had hitherto only enjoyed a local worship, were now raised to the rank of national gods. This seems also to have been the case with the Eleusinian goddess, for in the reign of Theseus we find mention of a temple at Athens, called Eleusinion, probably the new and national sanctuary of Ceres. Her priests and priestesses now became naturally attached to the national temple of the capital, though her original place of worship at Eleusis, with which so many sacred associations were connected, still retained its importance and its special share in the celebration of the national solemnities.

We must distinguish between the greater Eleusinia, which were celebrated at Athens and Eleusis, and the lesser, which were held at Agræ on the Ilissus. The lesser Eleusinia were only a preparation (*προκάβασις* or *προάγνευσις*) for the real mysteries. They were held every year in the month of Anthesterion, and, according to some accounts, in honour of Proserpina alone. Those who were initiated in them bore the name of *Mystæ* (*μύσται*), and had to wait at least another year before they could be admitted to the great mysteries. The principal rites of this first stage of initiation consisted in the sacrifice of a sow, which the mystæ seem to have first washed in the Cantharus, and in the purification by a priest, who bore the name of *Hydranos* (*Ὑδρανός*). The mystæ had also to take an oath of secrecy, which was administered to them by the *Mystagogus* (*μυσταγωγός*, also called *ἑροφάντης* or *προφήτης*), and they received some kind of preparatory instruction, which enabled them afterwards to understand the mysteries which

were revealed to them in the great Eleusinia.

The great mysteries were celebrated every year in the month of Boedromion, during nine days, from the 15th to the 23d, both at Athens and Eleusis. The initiated were called *ἐπόπται* or *ἐφουροι*. On the first day, those who had been initiated in the lesser Eleusinia, assembled at Athens. On the second day the mystae went in solemn procession to the sea-coast, where they underwent a purification. Of the third day scarcely anything is known with certainty; we are only told that it was a day of fasting, and that in the evening a frugal meal was taken, which consisted of cakes made of sesame and honey. On the fourth day the *κύλαθος κάθοδος* seems to have taken place. This was a procession with a basket containing pomegranates and poppy-seeds; it was carried on a waggon drawn by oxen, and women followed with small mystic cases in their hands. On the fifth day, which appears to have been called the torch day (*ἡ τῶν λαμπάδων ἡμέρα*), the mystae, led by the *δαδούχος*, went in the evening with torches to the temple of Ceres at Eleusis, where they seem to have remained during the following night. This rite was probably a symbolical representation of Ceres wandering about in search of Proserpina. The sixth day, called *Iacchos*, was the most solemn of all. The statue of Iacchos, son of Ceres, adorned with a garland of myrtle and bearing a torch in his hand, was carried along the sacred road amidst joyous shouts and songs, from the Ceramicus to Eleusis. This solemn procession was accompanied by great numbers of followers and spectators. During the night from the sixth to the seventh day the mystae remained at Eleusis, and were initiated into the last mysteries (*ἐποπτεία*). Those who were neither *ἐπόπται* nor *μύσται* were sent away by a herald. The mystae now repeated the oath of secrecy which had been administered to them at the lesser Eleusinia, underwent a new purification, and then they were led by the mystagogus in the darkness of night into the lighted interior of the sanctuary (*φωταγωγία*), and were allowed to see (*αὐτοψία*) what none except the epoptae ever beheld. The awful and horrible manner in which the initiation is described by later, especially Christian writers, seems partly to proceed from their ignorance of its real character, partly from their horror of and aversion to these pagan rites. The more ancient writers always abstained from entering upon any description of the subject. Each individual, after his initiation, is said to have been dis-

missed by the words *κόγξ, ὁμπαξ*, in order to make room for other mystae.

On the seventh day the initiated returned to Athens amid various kinds of raillery and jests, especially at the bridge over the Cephissus, where they sat down to rest, and poured forth their ridicule on those who passed by. Hence the words *γεφυρίζειν* and *γεφυρισμός*. These *σκώμματα* seem, like the procession with torches to Eleusis, to have been dramatical and symbolical representations of the jests by which, according to the ancient legend, Iambe or Baubo had dispelled the grief of the goddess and made her smile. We may here observe, that probably the whole history of Ceres and Proserpina was in some way or other symbolically represented at the Eleusinia. The eighth day, called *Epidauria* (*Ἐπιδάυρια*), was a kind of additional day for those who by some accident had come too late, or had been prevented from being initiated on the sixth day. It was said to have been added to the original number of days, when Aesculapius, coming over from Epidaurus to be initiated, arrived too late, and the Athenians, not to disappoint the god, added an eighth day. The ninth and last day bore the name of *πλημοχοαί* from a peculiar kind of vessel called *πλημοχοή*, which is described as a small kind of *κότυλος*. Two of these vessels were on this day filled with water or wine, and the contents of the one thrown to the east, and those of the other to the west, while those who performed this rite uttered some mystical words.

The Eleusinian mysteries long survived the independence of Greece. Attempts to suppress them were made by the emperor Valentinian, but he met with strong opposition, and they seem to have continued down to the time of the elder Theodosius. Respecting the secret doctrines which were revealed in them to the initiated, nothing certain is known. The general belief of the ancients was, that they opened to man a comforting prospect of a future state. But this feature does not seem to have been originally connected with these mysteries, and was probably added to them at the period which followed the opening of a regular intercourse between Greece and Egypt, when some of the speculative doctrines of the latter country, and of the East, may have been introduced into the mysteries, and hallowed by the names of the venerable bards of the mythical age. This supposition would also account, in some measure, for the legend of their introduction from Egypt. In modern times many attempts have been made to discover the nature of the mysteries revealed to the initiated, but the

results have been as various and as fanciful as might be expected. The most sober and probable view is that, according to which, "they were the remains of a worship which preceded the rise of the Hellenic mythology and its attendant rites, grounded on a view of nature, less fanciful, more earnest, and better fitted to awaken both philosophical thought and religious feeling."

ELEÛTHERIA (ἐλευθερία), the feast of liberty, a festival which the Greeks, after the battle of Plataeae (479 B. C.), instituted in honour of Jupiter Eleutherius (the deliverer). It was intended not merely to be a token of their gratitude to the god to whom they believed themselves to be indebted for their victory over the barbarians, but also as a bond of union among themselves; for, in an assembly of all the Greeks, Aristides carried a decree that delegates (πρόβουλοι καὶ θεωροί) from all the Greek states should assemble every year at Plataeae for the celebration of the Eleutheria. The town itself was at the same time declared sacred and inviolable, as long as its citizens offered the annual sacrifices which were then instituted on behalf of Greece. Every fifth year these solemnities were celebrated with contests, in which the victors were rewarded with chaplets.

EMANCIPATIO, was an act by which the *patria potestas* was dissolved in the lifetime of the parent, and it was so called because it was in the form of a sale (*mancipatio*). By the laws of the Twelve Tables it was necessary that a son should be sold three times in order to be released from the paternal power, or to be *sui juris*. In the case of daughters and grandchildren, one sale was sufficient. The father transferred the son by the form of a sale to another person, who manumitted him, upon which he returned into the power of the father. This was repeated, and with the like result. After a third sale, the paternal power was extinguished, but the son was re-sold to the parent, who then manumitted him, and so acquired the rights of a patron over his emancipated son, which would otherwise have belonged to the purchaser who gave him his final manumission.

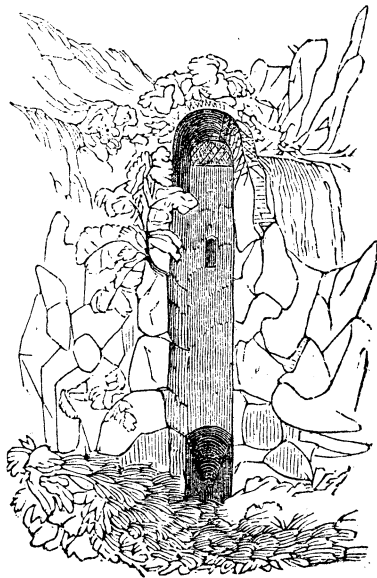
EMBAS (ἐμβάς), a shoe worn by men, which is frequently mentioned by Aristophanes and other Greek writers. This appears to have been the most common kind of shoe worn at Athens. Pollux says it was invented by the Thracians, and that it was like the low cothurnus. The ἐμβάς was also worn by the Boeotians, and probably in other parts of Greece.

EMBLEMA (ἐμβλημα, ἐμπαισμα), an in-

laid ornament. The art of inlaying was employed in producing beautiful works of two descriptions, viz.:—1st, Those which resembled our marquetry, boule, and Florentine mosaics; and 2dly, those in which crusts (*crustae*), exquisitely wrought in bas-relief and of precious materials, were fastened upon the surface of vessels or other pieces of furniture. To the latter class of productions belonged the cups and plates which Verres obtained by violence from the Sicilians and from which he removed the emblems for the purpose of having them set in gold instead of silver.

EME'RITI, the name given to those Roman soldiers who had served out their time, and had exemption (*vacatio*) from military service. The usual time of service was twenty years for the legionary soldiers, and sixteen for the praetorians. At the end of their period of service they received a bounty or reward (*emeritum*), either in lands or money, or in both.

EMISSA'RIMUM, an artificial channel formed to carry off any stagnant body of water, like the sluices in modern use. Some works of this kind are among the most remarkable



Emissarium.

efforts of Roman ingenuity. That through which the waters of the lake Fucinus discharged themselves into the Liris, is represented in the preceding woodcut.

EMPORIUM (τὸ ἐμπορίον), a place for wholesale trade in commodities carried by sea. The name is sometimes applied to a sea-port town, but it properly signifies only a particular place in such a town. The word is derived from ἐμπορος, which signifies in Homer a person who sails as a passenger in a ship belonging to another person; but in later writers it signifies the merchant or wholesale dealer, and differs from κάπηλος, the retail dealer.

The emporium at Athens was under the inspection of certain officers, who were elected annually (ἐπιμεληταὶ τοῦ ἐμπορίου).

ENDEIXIS (ἐνδείξις), properly denotes a prosecution instituted against such persons as were alleged to have exercised rights or held offices while labouring under a peculiar disqualification. The same form of action was available against the chairman of the proedri (ἐπιστάτης), who wrongly refused to take the votes of the people in the assembly; against malefactors, especially murderers; traitors, ambassadors accused of malversation, and persons who furnished supplies to the enemy during war. The first step taken by the prosecutor was to lay his information in writing, also called *endeixis*, before the proper magistrate, who then arrested, or held to bail, the person criminated, and took the usual steps for bringing him to trial. There is great obscurity with respect to the punishment which followed condemnation. The accuser, if unsuccessful, was responsible for bringing a malicious charge (ψευδοῦς ἐνδείξεως ὑπεύθυνος).

ENDROMIS (ἐνδρόμις), a thick coarse blanket, manufactured in Gaul, and called "endromis," because those who had been exercising in the stadium (ἐν δρόμῳ) threw it over them to obviate the effects of sudden exposure when they were heated. Notwithstanding its coarse and shaggy appearance, it was worn on other occasions as a protection from the cold by rich and fashionable persons at Rome.

ENSIGNS, MILITARY. [SIGNA MILITARIA.]

ENSIS. [GLADIUS.]

EPANGELIA (ἐπαγγελία). If a citizen of Athens had incurred *atimia*, the privilege of taking part or speaking in the public assembly was forfeited. But as it sometimes might happen that a person, though not formally declared *atimus*, had committed such crimes as would, on accusation, draw upon him this

punishment, it was of course desirable that such individuals, like real *atimi*, should be excluded from the exercise of the rights of citizens. Whenever, therefore, such a person ventured to speak in the assembly, any Athenian citizen had the right to come forward in the assembly itself, and demand of him to establish his right to speak by a trial or examination of his conduct (δοκιμασία τοῦ βίου), and this demand, denouncement, or threat, was called *epangelia* or *epangelia docimasias* (ἐπαγγελία δοκιμασίας). The impeached individual was then compelled to desist from speaking, and to submit to a scrutiny into his conduct, and, if he was convicted, a formal declaration of *atimia* followed.

EPHEBUS (ἐφηβος), the name of Athenian youths after they had attained the age of 18. The state of *ephebeia* (ἐφηβεία) lasted for two years, till the youths had attained the age of 20, when they became men, and were admitted to share all the rights and duties of citizens, for which the law did not prescribe a more advanced age.

Before a youth was enrolled among the *ephebi*, he had to undergo a *docimasia* (δοκιμασία), the object of which was partly to ascertain whether he was the son of Athenian citizens, or adopted by a citizen, and partly whether his body was sufficiently developed and strong to undertake the duties which now devolved upon him. After the *docimasia* the young men received in the assembly a shield and a lance; but those whose fathers had fallen in the defence of their country received a complete suit of armour in the theatre. It seems to have been on this occasion that the *ephebi* took an oath in the temple of Diana Aglauros, by which they pledged themselves never to disgrace their arms or to desert their comrades; to fight to the last in the defence of their country, its altars and hearths; to leave their country not in a worse but in a better state than they found it; to obey the magistrates and the laws; to resist all attempts to subvert the institutions of Attica; and finally, to respect the religion of their forefathers. This solemnity took place towards the close of the year, and the festive season bore the name of *ephebia* (ἐφήβια). The external distinction of the *ephebi* consisted in the *chlamys* and the *petasus*.

During the two years of the *ephebeia*, which may be considered as a kind of apprenticeship in arms, and in which the young men prepared themselves for the higher duties of full citizens, they were generally sent into the country, under the name of *peripoli* (περίπολοι), to keep watch in the towns and fortresses, on the coast and frontier, and to perform other duties

which might be necessary for the protection of Attica.

EPHEGE'SIS (ἐφεγγησις), denotes the method of proceeding against such criminals as were liable to be summarily arrested by a private citizen [ΑΠΑΓΟΓΗ] when the prosecutor was unwilling to expose himself to personal risk in apprehending the offender. Under these circumstances he made an application to the proper magistrate, and conducted him and his officers to the spot where the capture was to be effected.

E'PHETAE (ἐφέται), the name of certain judges at Athens, who tried cases of homicide. They were fifty-one in number, selected from noble families, and more than fifty years of age. They formed a tribunal of great antiquity, and were in existence before the legislation of Solon, but, as the state became more and more democratical, their duties became unimportant and almost antiquated.

EPHORI (ἐφοροι). Magistrates called *Ephori* or overseers were common to many Dorian constitutions in times of remote antiquity; but the ephori of Sparta are the most celebrated of them all. The origin of the Spartan ephori is quite uncertain, but their office in the historical times was a kind of counterpoise to the kings and council, and in that respect peculiar to Sparta alone of the Dorian states. Their number, five, appears to have been always the same, and was probably connected with the five divisions of the town of Sparta, namely, the four *κῶμαι*, Limnae, Mesoa, Pitana, Cynosura, and the *Πόλις* or city properly so called, around which the *κῶμαι* lay. They were elected from and by the people, without any qualification of age or property, and without undergoing any scrutiny; so that the people enjoyed through them a participation in the highest magistracy of the state. They entered upon office at the autumnal solstice, and the first in rank of the five gave his name to the year, which was called after him in all civil transactions.

They possessed judicial authority in civil suits, and also a general superintendence over the morals and domestic economy of the nation, which in the hands of able men would soon prove an instrument of unlimited power.

Their jurisdiction and power were still farther increased by the privilege of instituting scrutinies (ἐνθυναί) into the conduct of all the magistrates. Even the kings themselves could be brought before their tribunal (as Cleomenes was for bribery). In extreme cases the ephors were also competent to lay an accusation against the kings as well as the other magistrates, and bring them to a capital trial before the great court of justice.

In later times the power of the ephors was greatly increased; and this increase appears to have been principally owing to the fact, that they put themselves in connection with the assembly of the people, convened its meetings, laid measures before it, and were constituted its agents and representatives. When this connection arose is matter of conjecture. The power which such a connection gave would, more than anything else, enable them to encroach on the royal authority, and make themselves virtually supreme in the state. Accordingly, we find that they transacted business with foreign ambassadors; dismissed them from the state; decided upon the government of dependent cities; subscribed in the presence of other persons to treaties of peace; and in time of war sent out troops when they thought necessary. In all these capacities the ephors acted as the representatives of the nation, and the agents of the public assembly, being in fact the executive of the state. In course of time the kings became completely under their control. For example, they fined Agesilaus on the vague charge of trying to make himself popular, and interfered even with the domestic arrangements of other kings. In the field the kings were followed by two ephors, who belonged to the council of war; the three who remained at home received the booty in charge, and paid it into the treasury, which was under the superintendence of the whole College of Five. But the ephors had still another prerogative, based on a religious foundation, which enabled them to effect a temporary deposition of the kings. Once in eight years, as we are told, they chose a calm and cloudless night to observe the heavens, and if there was any appearance of a falling meteor, it was believed to be a sign that the gods were displeased with the kings, who were accordingly suspended from their functions until an oracle allowed of their restoration. The outward symbols of supreme authority also were assumed by the ephors; and they alone kept their seats while the kings passed; whereas it was not considered below the dignity of the kings to rise in honour of the ephors.

When Agis and Cleomenes undertook to restore the old constitution, it was necessary for them to overthrow the ephorality, and accordingly Cleomenes murdered the ephors for the time being, and abolished the office (b. c. 225); it was, however restored under the Romans.

EPI'BATAE (ἐπιβάται), were soldiers or marines appointed to defend the vessels in the Athenian navy, and were entirely distinct from the rowers, and also from the land sol-

diers, such as hoplitae, peltasts, and cavalry. It appears that the ordinary number of epibatae on board a trireme was ten.

The epibatae were usually taken from the thetes, or fourth class of Athenian citizens.

The term is sometimes also applied by the Roman writers to the marines, but they are more usually called *classarii milites*. The latter term, however, is also applied to the rowers or sailors as well as the marines.

EPI'DOSEIS (ἐπιδόσεις), voluntary contributions, either in money, arms, or ships, which were made by the Athenian citizens in order to meet the extraordinary demands of the state. When the expenses of the state were greater than its revenue, it was usual for the prytanes to summon an assembly of the people, and after explaining the necessities of the state, to call upon the citizens to contribute according to their means. Those who were willing to contribute then rose and mentioned what they would give; while those who were unwilling to give anything remained silent, or retired privately from the assembly.

EPI'STATES (ἐπιστάτης). 1. The chairman of the senate and assembly of the people, respecting whose duties see BOULE and ECCLESIA. 2. The name of the directors of the public works. (Ἐπιστάται τῶν δημοσίων ἔργων.)

EPISTOLEUS (ἐπιστολεὺς), the officer second in rank in the Spartan fleet, who succeeded to the command if anything happened to the *navarchus* (ναύαρχος) or admiral. When the Chians and the other allies of Sparta on the Asiatic coast sent to Sparta to request that Lysander might be again appointed to the command of the navy, he was sent with the title of epistoleus, because the laws of Sparta did not permit the same person to hold the office of navarchus twice.

EPI'TROPUS (ἐπίτροπος), the name at Athens of a guardian of orphan children. Of such guardians there were at Athens three kinds: first, those appointed in the will of the deceased father; secondly, the next of kin, whom the law designated as tutores legitimi in default of such appointment, and who required the authorization of the archon to enable them to act; and lastly, such persons as the archon selected if there were no next of kin living to undertake the office. The duties of the guardian comprehended the education, maintenance, and protection of the ward, the assertion of his rights, and the safe custody and profitable disposition of his inheritance during his minority, besides making a proper provision for the widow if

she remained in the house of her late husband.

EPULO'NES, who were originally three in number (*triumviri epulones*), were first created in B. C. 196, to attend to the Epulum Jovis, and the banquets given in honour of the other gods; which duty had originally belonged to the pontifices. Their number was afterwards increased to seven, and they were called septemviri epulones or septemviri epulonum.

The epulones formed a collegium, and were one of the four great religious corporations at Rome; the other three were those of the Pontifices, Augures, and Quindecimviri.

EPULUM JOVIS. [EPULONES.]

EQUI'RIA, horse-races, which are said to have been instituted by Romulus in honour of Mars, and were celebrated in the Campus Martius. There were two festivals of this name; of which one was celebrated A. D. III. Cal. Mart., and the other prid. Id. Mart.

E'QUITES, horsemen. Romulus is said to have formed three centuries of equites; and these were the same as the 300 celeres, whom he kept about his person in peace and war. A century was taken from each of the three tribes, the *Ramnes*, *Titenses*, and *Luceres*. Tarquinius Priscus added three more, under the title of *Ramnes*, *Titenses*, and *Luceres posteriores*. These were the six patrician centuries of equites, often referred to under the name of the *sex suffragia*. To these Servius Tullius added twelve additional centuries, for admission into which, property and not birth was the qualification. These twelve centuries might therefore contain plebeians, but they do not appear to have been restricted to plebeians, since we have no reason for believing that the six old centuries contained the whole body of patricians. A property qualification was apparently also necessary by the Servian constitution for admission into the six centuries. We may therefore suppose that those patricians who were included in the six old centuries were allowed by the Servian constitution to continue in them, if they possessed the requisite property; and that all other persons in the state, whether patricians or plebeians, who possessed the requisite property, were admitted into the twelve new centuries. We are not told the amount of property necessary to entitle a person to a place among the equites, but it was probably the same as in the latter times of the republic, that is, four times that of the first class. [COMITIA, p. 94.]

Property, however was not the only qualification; for in the ancient times of the republic no one was admitted among the eques-

trian centuries unless his character was unblemished, and his father and grandfather had been born freemen.

Each of the equites received a horse from the state (*equus publicus*), or money to purchase one, as well as a sum of money for its annual support; the expense of its support was defrayed by the orphans and unmarried females; since, in a military state, it could not be esteemed unjust, that the women and the children were to contribute largely for those who fought in behalf of them and of the commonwealth. The purchase-money for a knight's horse was called *aes equestre*, and its annual provision *aes hordearium*. The former amounted, according to Livy, to 10,000 asses, and the latter to 2000.

All the equites of whom we have been speaking, received a horse from the state, and were included in the 18 equestrian centuries of the Servian constitution; but in course of time, we read of another class of equites in Roman history who did not receive a horse from the state, and who were not included in the 18 centuries. This latter class is first mentioned by Livy, in his account of the siege of Veii, B. C. 403. He says that during the siege, when the Romans had at one time suffered great disasters, all those citizens who had an equestrian fortune, and no horse allotted to them, volunteered to serve with their own horses; and he adds, that from this time equites first began to serve with their own horses. The state paid them, as a kind of compensation for serving with their own horses. The foot soldiers had received pay a few years before; and two years afterwards, B. C. 401, the pay of the equites was made three-fold that of the infantry.

From the year B. C. 403, there were therefore two classes of Roman knights: one who received horses from the state, and are therefore frequently called *equites equo publico*, and sometimes *Flexumines* or *Trossuli*, and another class, who served, when they were required, with their own horses, but were not classed among the 18 centuries. As they served on horseback they were called *equites*; and when spoken of in opposition to cavalry, which did not consist of Roman citizens, they were also called *equites Romani*; but they had no legal claim to the name of equites, since in ancient times this title was strictly confined to those who received horses from the state.

The reason of this distinction of two classes arose from the fact, that the number of equites in the 18 centuries was fixed from the time of Servius Tullius. As vacancies occurred in them, the descendants of those who were originally enrolled succeeded to their places, pro-

vided they had not dissipated their property. But in course of time, as population and wealth increased, the number of persons who possessed an equestrian fortune also increased greatly; and as the ancestors of these persons had not been enrolled in the 18 centuries, they could not receive horses from the state, and were therefore allowed the privilege of serving with their own horses among the cavalry, instead of the infantry, as they would otherwise have been obliged to have done.

The inspection of the equites who received horses from the state belonged to the censors, who had the power of depriving an eques of his horse, and reducing him to the condition of an aerarian, and also of giving the vacant horse to the most distinguished of the equites who had previously served at their own expense. For these purposes they made during their censorship a public inspection, in the forum, of all the knights who possessed public horses (*equitatum recognoscere*). The tribes were taken in order, and each knight was summoned by name. Every one, as his name was called, walked past the censors, leading his horse.

If the censors had no fault to find either with the character of the knight or the equipments of his horse, they ordered him to pass on (*traduc equum*); but if on the contrary they considered him unworthy of his rank, they struck him out of the list of knights, and deprived him of his horse, or ordered him to sell it, with the intention no doubt that the person thus degraded should refund to the state the money which had been advanced to him for its purchase.

This review of the equites by the censors must not be confounded with the *Equitum Transvectio*, which was a solemn procession of the body every year on the Ides of Quintilis (July). The procession started from the temple of Mars outside the city, and passed through the city over the forum, and by the temple of the Dioscuri. On this occasion the equites were always crowned with olive chaplets, and wore their state dress, the *trabea*, with all the honourable distinctions they had gained in battle. According to Livy, this annual procession was first established by the censors Q. Fabius and P. Decius, B. C. 304; but according to Dionysius it was instituted after the defeat of the Latins near the lake Regillus, of which an account was brought to Rome by the Dioscuri.

It may be asked how long did the knight retain his public horse, and a vote in the equestrian century to which he belonged? On this subject we have no positive information; but as those equites, who served with their own

horses, were only obliged to serve for ten years (*stipendia*) under the age of 46, we may presume that the same rule extended to those who served with the public horses, provided they *wished* to give up the service. For it is certain that in the ancient times of the republic a knight might retain his horse as long as he pleased, even after he had entered the senate, provided he continued able to discharge the duties of a knight. Thus the two censors, M. Livius Salinator and C. Claudius Nero, in b. c. 204, were also equites, and L. Scipio Asiaticus, who was deprived of his horse by the censors in b. c. 185, had himself been censor in b. c. 191. But during the later times of the republic the knights were obliged to give up their horses on entering the senate, and consequently ceased to belong to the equestrian centuries. It thus naturally came to pass, that the greater number of the equites equo publico, after the exclusion of senators from the equestrian centuries, were young men.

The equestrian centuries, of which we have hitherto been treating, were only regarded as a division of the army: they did not form a distinct class or *ordo* in the constitution. The community, in a political point of view, was divided only into patricians and plebeians; and the equestrian centuries were composed of both. But in the year b. c. 123, a new class, called the *Ordo Equestris*, was formed in the state by the *Lex Sempronia*, which was introduced by C. Gracchus. By this law, or one passed a few years afterwards, every person who was to be chosen *iudex* was required to be above 30 and under 60 years of age, to have either an *equus publicus*, or to be qualified by his fortune to possess one, and *not* to be a senator. The number of judges, who were required yearly, was chosen from this class by the *praetor urbanus*.

As the name of equites had been originally extended from those who possessed the public horses to those who served with their own horses, it now came to be applied to all those persons who were qualified by their fortune to act as judges, in which sense the word is usually used by Cicero.

After the reform of Sulla, which entirely deprived the equestrian order of the right of being chosen as judges, and the passing of the *Lex Aurelia* (b. c. 70), which ordained that the judges should be chosen from the senators, equites, and *tribuni aerarii*, the influence of the order, says Pliny, was still maintained by the *publicani*, or farmers of the public taxes. We find that the *publicani* were almost always called equites, not because any particular rank was necessary in order to ob-

tain from the state the farming of the taxes, but because the state was not accustomed to let them to any one who did not possess a considerable fortune. Thus the *publicani* are frequently spoken of by Cicero as identical with the equestrian order. The consulship of Cicero, and the active part which the knights then took in suppressing the conspiracy of Catiline, tended still further to increase the power and influence of the equestrian order; and "from that time," says Pliny, "it became a third body (*corpus*) in the state, and, to the title of *Senatus Populusque Romanus*, there began to be added *Et Equestris Ordo*."

In b. c. 63, a distinction was conferred upon them, which tended to separate them still further from the plebs. By the *Lex Roscia Othonis*, passed in that year, the first fourteen seats in the theatre behind the orchestra were given to the equites. They also possessed the right of wearing the *Clavus Angustus* [*Clavus*], and subsequently obtained the privilege of wearing a gold ring, which was originally confined to the equites equo publico.

The number of equites increased greatly under the early emperors, and all persons were admitted into the order, provided they possessed the requisite property, without any inquiry into their character, or into the free birth of their father and grandfather. The order in consequence gradually began to lose all the consideration which it had acquired during the later times of the republic.

Augustus formed a select class of equites, consisting of those equites who possessed the property of a senator, and the old requirement of free birth up to the grandfather. He permitted this class to wear the *latus clavus*; and also allowed the tribunes of the plebs to be chosen from them, as well as the senators, and gave them the option, at the termination of their office, to remain in the senate or return to the equestrian order. This class of knights was distinguished by the special title *illustres* (sometimes *insignes* and *splendidi*) *equites Romani*.

The formation of this distinct class tended to lower the others still more in public estimation. In the ninth year of the reign of Tiberius, an attempt was made to improve the order by requiring the old qualifications of free birth up to the grandfather, and by strictly forbidding any one to wear the gold ring unless he possessed this qualification. This regulation, however, was of little avail, as the emperors frequently admitted freedmen into the equestrian order. When private persons were no longer appointed judges, the necessity for a distinct class in the community, like the equestrian order, ceased entirely;

and the gold ring came at length to be worn by all free citizens. Even slaves, after their manumission, were allowed to wear it by special permission from the emperor, which appears to have been usually granted provided the patronus consented.

Having thus traced the history of the equestrian order to its final extinction as a distinct class in the community, we must now return to the equites equo publico, who formed the 18 equestrian centuries. This class still existed during the latter years of the republic, but had entirely ceased to serve as horse-soldiers in the army. The cavalry of the Roman legions no longer consisted, as in the time of Polybius, of Roman equites, but their place was supplied by the cavalry of the allied states. It is evident that Caesar in his Gallic wars possessed no Roman cavalry. When he went to an interview with Ariovistus, and was obliged to take cavalry with him, we are told that he did not dare to trust his safety to the Gallic cavalry, and therefore mounted his legionary soldiers upon their horses. The Roman equites are, however, frequently mentioned in the Gallic and civil wars, but never as common soldiers; they were officers attached to the staff of the general, or commanded the cavalry of the allies, or sometimes the legions.

After the year B. C. 50, there were no censors in the state, and it would therefore follow that for some years no review of the body took place, and that the vacancies were not filled up. When Augustus, however, took upon himself, in B. C. 29, the *præfectura morum*, he frequently reviewed the troops of equites, and restored the long neglected custom of the solemn procession (*transvectio*). From this time these equites formed an honourable corps, from which all the higher officers in the army and the chief magistrates in the state were chosen. Admission into this body was equivalent to an introduction into public life, and was therefore esteemed a great privilege. If a young man was not admitted into this body, he was excluded from all civil offices of any importance, except in municipal towns; and also from all rank in the army, with the exception of centurion.

All those equites, who were not employed in actual service, were obliged to reside at Rome, where they were allowed to fill the lower magistracies, which entitled a person to admission into the senate. They were divided into six *turnæ*, each of which was commanded by an officer, who is frequently mentioned in inscriptions as *Sevir equitum Rom. turnæ* i. ii., &c., or commonly *Sevir*

turnæ or *Sevir turnarum equitum Romanorum*. From the time that the equites bestowed the title of *principes juventutis* upon Caius and Lucius Caesar, the grandsons of Augustus, it became the custom to confer this title, as well as that of *sevir*, upon the probable successor to the throne, when he first entered into public life, and was presented with an *equus publicus*.

The practice of filling all the higher offices in the state from these equites appears to have continued as long as Rome was the centre of the government and the residence of the emperor. After the time of Diocletian, the equites became only a city guard, under the command of the *præfectus vigilum*; but they still retained, in the time of Valentinianus and Valens, A. D. 364, the second rank in the city, and were not subject to corporal punishment. Respecting the *Magister Equitum*, see *DICTATOR*.

EUQUELUS or **ECULEUS**, an instrument of torture, which is supposed to have been so called because it was in the form of a horse.

ÉRANI (ἐρανοί), were clubs or societies, established for charitable, convivial, commercial, or political purposes.

Unions of this kind were called by the general name of *ἐταπρίαί*, and were often converted to mischievous ends, such as bribery, overawing the public assembly, or influencing courts of justice. In the days of the Roman empire friendly societies, under the name of *erani*, were frequent among the Greek cities, but were looked on with suspicion by the emperors, as leading to political combinations. The *gilds*, or fraternities for mutual aid, among the ancient Saxons, resembled the *erani* of the Greeks.

ERGA'STULUM, a private prison attached to most Roman farms, where the slaves were made to work in chains. The slaves confined in an *ergastulum* were also employed to cultivate the fields in chains. Slaves who had displeased their masters were punished by imprisonment in the *ergastulum*; and in the same place all slaves, who could not be depended upon or were barbarous in their habits, were regularly kept.

ERÍCIUS, a military engine full of sharp spikes, which was placed by the gate of the camp to prevent the approach of the enemy.

ESSEDA RII. [*Esseudum*.]

ESSEDA, or **ESSEDUM** (from the Celtic *Ess*, a carriage), the name of a chariot used, especially in war, by the Britons, the Gauls, and the Germans. It was built very strongly, was open before instead of behind, like the Greek war-chariot, and had a wide

pole, so that the owner was able, whenever he pleased, to run along the pole, and even to raise himself upon the pole, and then to retreat with the greatest speed into the body of the car, which he drove with extraordinary swiftness and skill. It appears also that these cars were purposely made as noisy as possible, probably by the creaking and clanging of the wheels; and that this was done in order to strike dismay into the enemy. The warriors who drove these chariots were called *essedarii*. Having been captured, they were sometimes exhibited in the gladiatorial shows at Rome, and seem to have been great favourites with the people.

The *essedum* was adopted for purposes of convenience and luxury among the Romans. As used by the Romans, the *essedum* may have differed from the *cisium* in this; that the *cisium* was drawn by one horse (see cut, p. 82), the *essedum* always by a pair.

EUMOLPIDAE (*Εὐμολπίδαι*), the most distinguished and venerable among the priestly families in Attica. They were devoted to the service of Ceres at Athens and Eleusis, and were said to be the descendants of the Thracian bard Eumolpus, who, according to some legends, had introduced the Eleusinian mysteries into Attica. The high priest of the Eleusinian goddess (*ιεροφάντης* or *μυσταγωγός*), who conducted the celebration of her mysteries and the initiation of the *mystae*, was always a member of the family of the Eumolpidae, as Eumolpus himself was believed to have been the first hierophant. The hierophant was attended by four *epimeletae* (*ἐπιμεληταί*), one of whom likewise belonged to the family of the Eumolpidae. The Eumolpidae had on certain occasions to offer up prayers for the welfare of the state. They had likewise judicial power in cases where religion was violated. The law according to which they pronounced their sentence, and of which they had exclusive possession, was not written, but handed down by tradition; and the Eumolpidae alone had the right to interpret it, whence they are sometimes called *ἑσπεταί* (*ἐξηγηταί*). In cases for which the law had made no provisions, they acted according to their own discretion. In some cases, when a person was convicted of gross violation of the public institutions of his country, the people, besides sending the offender into exile, added a clause in their verdict that a curse should be pronounced upon him by the Eumolpidae. But the Eumolpidae could pronounce such a curse only at the command of the people, and might afterwards be compelled by the people to revoke it, and purify the person whom they had cursed before.

EVOCA'TI, soldiers in the Roman army, who had served out their time and obtained their discharge (*missio*), but had voluntarily enlisted again at the invitation of the consul or other commander. There appears always to have been a considerable number of *evocati* in every army of importance; and when the general was a favourite among the soldiers, the number of veterans who joined his standard would of course be increased. The *evocati* were doubtless released, like the *vexillarii*, from the common military duties of fortifying the camp, making roads, &c., and held a higher rank in the army than the common legionary soldiers. They are sometimes spoken of in conjunction with the *equites Romani*, and sometimes classed with the *centurions*. They appear to have been frequently promoted to the rank of *centurions*.

EUPATRIDAE (*εὐπατρίδαι*), descended from noble ancestors, is the name by which in early times the nobility of Attica was designated. In the division of the inhabitants of Attica into three classes, which is ascribed to Theseus, the Eupatridae were the first class, and thus formed a compact order of nobles, united by their interests, rights and privileges. They were in the exclusive possession of all the civil and religious offices in the state, ordered the affairs of religion, and interpreted the laws human and divine. The king was thus only the first among his equals, and only distinguished from them by the duration of his office. By the legislation of Solon, the political power and influence of the Eupatridae as an order was broken, and property instead of birth was made the standard of political rights. But as Solon, like all ancient legislators, abstained from abolishing any of the religious institutions, those families of the Eupatridae, in which certain priestly offices and functions were hereditary, retained these distinctions down to a very late period of Grecian history.

EURIPUS. [*AMPHITHEATRUM*.]

EUTHYNE (*εὐθύνη*). All public officers at Athens were accountable for their conduct and the manner in which they acquitted themselves of their official duties. The judges in the popular courts seem to have been the only authorities who were not responsible, for they were themselves the representatives of the people, and would therefore, in theory, have been responsible to themselves. This account, which officers had to give after the time of their office was over, was called *εὐθύνη*, and the officers subject to it, *εὐεῦθνοι*, and after they had gone through the *euthyne*, they became *ἀνεῦθνοι*. Every public officer had to render his account within thirty days after the

expiration of his office, and at the time when he submitted to the *euthyne* any citizen had the right to come forward and impeach him. The officers before whom the accounts were given were at Athens ten in number, called *εὐθύναι* or *λογισταί*, in other places *ἐξετασταί* or *συνήγοροι*.

EXAUCTORATIO. [MISSIO.]

EXAUGURATIO, the act of changing a sacred thing into a profane one, or of taking away from it the sacred character which it had received by inauguration, consecratio, or dedicatio. Such an act was performed by the augurs, and never without consulting the pleasure of the gods, by augurium.

EXCUBIAE. [CASTRÀ.]

EXCUBITORES, which properly means watchmen or sentinels of any kind, was the name more particularly given to the soldiers of the cohort who guarded the palace of the Roman emperor.

EXERCITUS, army. I. GREEK. The organization of the Lacedaemonian army was more perfect than that of any other in Greece. It was based upon a graduated system of subordination, which gave to almost every individual a degree of authority, rendering the whole military force a community of commanders, so that the signal given by the king ran in an instant through the whole army. The foundation of this system is attributed to Lycurgus, who is said to have formed the Lacedaemonian forces into six divisions, called *morae* (μόραι). Each *mora* was commanded by a *polemarchus* (πολέμαρχος), under whom were four *lochagi* (λοχαγοί), eight *pentecosteres* (πεντηκοστήρες), and sixteen *enomotarchi* (ἐνωμοτάρχαι); consequently, two *enomotiae* (ἐνωμοτίαι) formed a *pentecostys* (πεντηκοστής), two of these a *lochus* (λόχος), and four *lochi* made a *mora*. The regular complement of the *enomotia* appears to have been twenty-four men, besides its captain. The *lochus*, then, consisted ordinarily of 100 and the *mora* of 400 men. The front row of the *enomotia* appears to have usually consisted of three men, and the ordinary depth of the line, of eight men. The number of men in each *enomotia* was, however, not unfrequently increased. Thus at the battle of Mantinea another file was added; so that the front row consisted of four men, and each *enomotia* consequently contained thirty-two men. At the battle of Leuctra, on the contrary, the usual number of files was retained, but the depth of its ranks was increased from eight to twelve men; so that each *enomotia* contained thirty-six men. In the time of Xenophon the *mora* appears to have consisted usually of 600 men. The numbers seem, however, to have fluctuated consider-

ably, according to the greater or less increase in the number of the *enomotia*.

To each *mora* of heavy-armed infantry there belonged a body of cavalry bearing the same name, consisting at the most of 100 men, and commanded by the *hipparchos* (ἵππαρχος). The cavalry is said, by Plutarch, to have been divided in the time of Lycurgus into *oulami* (οὐλαμοί) of fifty men each; but this portion of the Lacedaemonian army was unimportant, and served only to cover the wings of the infantry. The three hundred knights forming the king's body guard must not be confounded with the cavalry. They were the choicest of the Spartan youths, and fought either on horseback or on foot, as occasion required.

Solon divided the Athenian people into four classes, of which the first two comprehended those persons whose estates were respectively equivalent to the value of 500 and 300 of the Attic measures called *medimni*. These were not obliged to serve in the infantry, nor on board ship, except in some command; but they were bound to keep a horse for the public, and to serve in the cavalry at their own expense. The third class, whose estates were equivalent to 150 such measures, were obliged to serve in the heavy-armed foot, providing their own arms; and the people of the fourth class, if unable to provide themselves with complete armour, served either among the light-armed troops or in the navy. The ministers of religion, and persons who danced in the festival of Bacchus, were exempt from serving in the armies; the same privilege was also accorded to those who farmed the revenues of the state. There is no doubt that, among the Athenians, the divisions of the army differed from those which, as above stated, had been appointed by the Spartan legislator; but the nature of the divisions is unknown, and it can only be surmised that they were such as are hinted at in the *Cyropaedeia*. In that work, Xenophon, who, being an Athenian, may be supposed to have in view the military institutions of his own country, speaking of the advantages attending the subdivisions of large bodies of men, with respect to the power of reforming those bodies when they happen to be dispersed, states that the *taxis* (τάξις) consists of 100 men, and the *lochus* (λόχος) of twenty-four men (exclusive of their officer); and in another passage he mentions the *decas* (δεκάς), or section of ten, and the *pempas* (πεντάς), or section of five men. The *taxis* seems to have been the principal element in the division of troops in the Athenian army, and to have corresponded to the Peloponnesian *lochus*. The infantry was com-

manded by ten strategi [STRATEGI] and ten taxiarchs, and the cavalry by two hipparchs and ten phylarchs. These officers were chosen annually, and they appear to have appointed the subordinate officers of each *taxis* or *lochos*.

The mountainous character of Attica and the Peloponnesus is the reason that cavalry was never numerous in those countries. Previously to the Persian invasion of Greece, the number of horse-soldiers belonging to the Athenians was but ninety-six, each of the forty-eight *naucrariae* (*ναυκρηαίαι*), into which the state was divided, furnishing two persons; but soon afterwards the body was augmented to twelve hundred heavy-armed horsemen, and there was besides an equal number of archers, who fought on horseback. The horses belonging to the former class were covered with bronze or other metal, and they were ornamented with bells and embroidered clothing. Before being allowed to serve, both men and horses were subject to an examination before the hipparchs, and punishments were decreed against persons who should enter without the requisite qualifications.

Every free citizen of the Greek states was enrolled for military service from the age of 18 or 20, to 58 or 60 years. The young men, previously to joining the ranks, were instructed in the military duties by the *tactici* (*τακτικοί*), or public teachers, who were maintained by the state for the purpose; and no town in Greece was without its gymnasium, or school. At Athens the *ephebi* [ΕΦΗΒΙ] guarded the city and the frontier from the age of 18 till 20. At 20 years of age the Athenian recruit could be sent on foreign expeditions; but, among the Spartans, this was seldom done till the soldier was 30 years old.

An attention to military duties, when the troops were encamped, was strictly enforced in all the Greek armies; but a considerable difference prevailed in those of the two principal states with respect to the recreations of the soldiers. The men of Athens were allowed to witness theatrical performances, and to have in the camp companies of singers and dancers. In the Lacedaemonian army, on the contrary, all these were forbidden; the constant practice of temperance, and the observance of a rigid discipline being prescribed to the Spartan youth, in order that they might excel in war (which among them was considered as the proper occupation of freemen); and manly exercises alone were permitted in the intervals of duty. Yet, while encamped, the young men were encouraged to use perfumes, and to wear costly armour, though the adorning of their persons, when at home,

would have subjected them to the reproach of effeminacy.

In the early times of the Greek republics the soldier served at his own expense in that class of troops which his fortune permitted him to join.

Pericles first introduced the practice at Athens of giving pay to a class of the soldiers out of the public revenue; and this was subsequently adopted by the other states of Greece. The amount of the pay varied according to circumstances from two oboli to a drachma. The commanders of the *lochi* received double, and the strategi four times the pay of a private foot-soldier.

The strength of a Grecian army consisted chiefly in its foot-soldiers; and of these there were at first but two classes:—the *Hoplitae* (*ὀπλιται*), who wore heavy armour, carried large shields, and in action, used swords and long spears; and the *Psili* (*ψιλοί*), who were light-armed, having frequently only helmets and small bucklers, with neither cuirasses nor greaves, and who were employed chiefly as skirmishers in discharging arrows, darts, or stones. An intermediate class of troops, called *Peltastae* (*πελτασται*), or targeteers, was formed at Athens, by Iphicrates, after the Peloponnesian war: they were armed nearly in the same manner as the *Hoplitae*, but their cuirasses were of linen instead of bronze or iron; their spears were short, and they carried small round bucklers, called *peltae* (*πέλται*). These troops, uniting in some measure the stability of the phalanx with the agility of the light-armed men, were found to be highly efficient; and from the time of their adoption, they were extensively employed in the Greek armies.

Scarlet, or crimson, appears to have been the general colour of the Greek uniform, at least in the days of Xenophon.

The oldest existing works which treat expressly of the constitution and tactics of the Grecian armies are the treatises of Aelian and Arrian; which were written in the time of Hadrian, when the art of war had changed its character, and when many details relating to the ancient military organizations were forgotten. Yet the systems of these tacticians, speaking generally, appear to belong to the age of Philip or Alexander; and, consequently, they may be considered as having succeeded those which have been indicated above.

Aelian makes the lowest subdivision of the army to consist of a *lochos*, *decas*, or *enomotia*, which he says were then supposed to have been respectively files of 16, 12, or 8 men, and he recommends the latter. The numbers in

the superior divisions proceeded in a geometrical progression by doubles, and the principal bodies were formed and denominated as follow:—Four *lochi* constituted a *tetrarchia* (= 64 men), and two of these, a *taxis* (= 128 men). The latter doubled, was called a *syn-*tagma** (*σύνταγμα*) or *zenagia* (*ξεναγία*) (= 256 men), to which division it appears that five supernumeraries were attached; these were the crier, the ensign, the trumpeter, a servant, and an officer, called *wagus* (*οὐραγός*), who brought up the rear. Four of the last-mentioned divisions formed a *chiliarchia* (*χιλι-*αρχία**) (= 1024 men), which doubled became a *telos* (*τέλος*), and quadrupled, formed the body which was denominated a *phalanx* (*φά-*λαγξ**). This corps would, therefore, appear to have consisted of 4096 men; but, in fact, divisions of very different strengths were, at different times, designated by that name, and before the time of Philip of Macedon, *phalanx* was a general expression for any large body of troops in the Grecian armies. That prince, however, united under this name 6000 of his most efficient heavy-armed men, whom he called his companions; he subjected them to judicious regulations, and improved their arms and discipline; and, from that time, the name of his country was constantly applied to bodies of troops which were similarly organized.

The numerical strength of the phalanx was probably the greatest in the days of Philip and Alexander; and, if the tactics of Aelian may be considered applicable to the age of those monarchs, it would appear that the corps, when complete, consisted of about 16,000 heavy-armed men. It was divided into four parts, each consisting of 4000 men, who were drawn up in files generally 16 men deep. The whole front, properly speaking, consisted of two grand divisions; but each of these was divided into two sections, and the two middle sections of the whole constituted the centre or *ὀμφαλός*. The others were designated *κέρατα*, or wings; and in these the best troops seem to have been placed. The evolutions were performed upon the enomoty, or single file, whether it were required to extend or deepen the line: and there was an interval between every two sections for the convenience of manœuvring.

The Greek cavalry, according to Aelian, was divided into bodies, of which the smallest was called *ilé* (*ίλη*): it is said to have consisted of 64 men, though the term was used in earlier times for a party of horse of any number. A troop, called *epilarchia* (*ἐπιλαρχία*), contained two *ilae*, 128 men; and a division, subsequently called *tarantinarchia* (*ταραντιναρχία*),

from Tarentum in Italy, was double the former. Each of the succeeding divisions was double that which preceded it; and one, consisting of 2048 men, was called *telos* (*τέλος*): finally, the *epitagma* (*ἐπίταγμα*) was equal to two *tele* (*τέλη*), and contained 4096 men.

In making or receiving an attack, when each man occupied about three feet in depth, and the Macedonian spear, or *sarissa*, which was about 18 or 20 feet long, was held in a horizontal position, the point of that which was in the hands of a front-rank man might project about 14 feet from the line; the point of that which was in the hands of a second-rank man might project about 11 feet, and so on. Therefore, if the sixteen ranks, which was the ordinary depth of the phalanx, those in rear of the fifth could not, evidently, contribute by their pikes to the annoyance of the enemy: they consequently kept their pikes in an inclined position, resting on the shoulders of the men in their front; and thus they were enabled to arrest the enemy's missiles, which, after flying over the front ranks, might otherwise fall on those in the rear. The ranks beyond the fifth pressing with all their force against the men who were in their front, while they prevented them from falling back, increased the effect of the charge, or the resistance opposed to that of the enemy.

In action it was one duty of the officers to prevent the whole body of men from inclining towards the right hand; to this there was always a great tendency, because every soldier endeavoured to press that way, in order that he might be covered as much as possible by the shield of his companion; and thus danger was incurred of having the army outflanked towards its left by that of the enemy. Previously to an action some particular word or sentence (*σύνθημα*) was given out by the commanders to the soldiers, who were enabled, on demanding it, to distinguish each other from the enemy.

It may be said that, from the disposition of the troops in the Greek armies, the success of an action depended in general on a single effort; since there was no second line of troops to support the first, in the event of any disaster. The dense order of the phalanx was only proper for a combat on a perfectly level plain; and, even then, the victory depended rather on the prowess of the soldier than on the skill of the commander, who was commonly distinguished from the men only by fighting at their head. But, when the field of battle was commanded by heights, and intersected by streams or defiles, the unwieldy mass became incapable of acting, while it was overwhelmed by the enemy's missiles.

2. ROMAN. The organization of the Roman army in early times was based upon the constitution of Servius Tullius, which is explained in the article *COMITIA CENTURIATA*. It is only necessary to observe here, that it appears plainly, from a variety of circumstances, that the tactics of the Roman infantry in early times were not those of the legion at a later period, and that the phalanx, which was the battle-array of the Greeks, was also the form in which the Roman armies were originally drawn up.

In the time of Polybius, which was that of Fabius and Scipio, every legion was commanded by six military tribunes. The consuls, after they entered upon their office, appointed a day on which all those who were of the military age were required to attend. When the day for enrolling the troops arrived, the people assembled at the Capitol; and the consuls, with the assistance of the military tribunes, proceeded to hold the levy (*delectus*), unless prevented by the tribunes of the plebs. The military tribunes, having been divided into four bodies (which division corresponded to the general distribution of the army into four legions, two for each consul), drew out the tribes by lot, one by one; then, calling up that tribe upon which the lot first fell, they chose (*legerunt*, whence the name *legio*) from it four young men nearly equal in age and stature. From these the tribunes of the first legion chose one; those of the second chose a second, and so on: after this four other men were selected, and now the tribunes of the second legion made the first choice; then those of the other legions in order, and, last of all, the tribunes of the first legion made their choice. In like manner, from the next four men, the tribunes, beginning with those of the third legion, and ending with those of the second, made their choice. Observing the same method of rotation to the end, it followed that all the legions were nearly alike with respect to the ages and stature of the men. Polybius observes that, anciently, the cavalry troops were chosen after the infantry, and that 200 horse were allowed to every 4000 foot; but he adds that it was then the custom to select the cavalry first, and to assign 300 of these to each legion. Every citizen was obliged to serve in the army, when required, between the ages of 17 and 46 years. Each foot-soldier was obliged to serve during twenty campaigns, and each horseman during ten. And, except when a legal cause of exemption (*vacatio*) existed, the service was compulsory; persons who refused to enlist could be punished by fine or imprisonment; and in some cases they might be sold as slaves. The grounds of ex-

emption were age, infirmity, and having served the appointed time. The magistrates and priests were also exempted, in general, from serving in the wars; and the same privilege was sometimes granted by the senate or the people to individuals who had rendered services to the state. In sudden emergencies, or when any particular danger was apprehended, as in the case of a war in Italy or against the Gauls, both of which were called *tumultus*, no exemption could be pleaded, but all were obliged to be enrolled. Persons who were rated by the censors below the value of 400 drachmae, according to Polybius, were allowed to serve only in the navy; and these men formed what was called the *legio classica*.

In the first ages of the republic each consul had usually the command of two Roman legions, and two legions of allies; and the latter were raised in the states of Italy nearly in the same manner as the others were raised in Rome. The infantry of an allied legion was usually equal in number to that of a Roman legion, but the cavalry attached to the former was twice as numerous as that which belonged to the latter. The regulation of the two allied legions was superintended by twelve officers called prefects (*præfecti*), who were selected for this purpose by the consuls. In the line of battle the two Roman legions formed the centre, and those of the allies were placed, one on the right and the other on the left flank: the cavalry was posted at the two extremities of the line; that of the allies on each wing being on the outward flank of the legionary horsemen, on which account they had the name of Alarii. [ALARII.] A body of the best soldiers, both infantry and cavalry, consisting either of volunteers or of veterans selected from the allies, guarded the consul in the camp, or served about his person in the field; and these were called *extraordinarii*.

The number of men in a Roman legion varied much at different times. When Camillus raised ten legions for the war against the Gauls, each consisted of 4200 foot-soldiers, and 300 horse-soldiers, but previously to the battle of Cannæ the senate decreed that the army should consist of eight legions, and that the strength of each should be 5000 foot-soldiers. In the time of Polybius (B. C. 150) the legion contained 4200 men, except in cases of great emergency, when it was augmented to 5000 men.

Besides being designated by numbers, *prima legio*, *decima legio*, &c., the legions bore particular names. Thus we read of the *martia legio*, the *alauda*, &c. [ALAUDA.]

After the selection of the men who were to compose the legion, the military oath was ad-

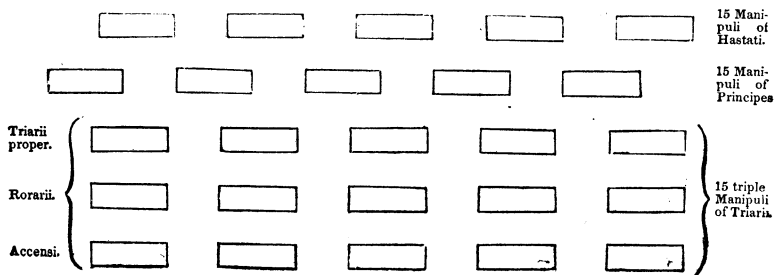
ministered (*sacramentum*): on this occasion one person was appointed to pronounce the words of the oath (*qui reliquis verba sacramenti praeiret*), and the rest of the legionaries, advancing one by one, swore to perform what the first had pronounced (*in verba ejus jurabant*). The form of the oath differed at different times: during the republic it contained an engagement to be faithful to the Roman senate and people, and to execute all the orders that should be given by the commanders. Under the emperors, fidelity to the sovereign was introduced into the oath; and after the establishment of Christianity, the engagement was made in the name of the Trinity, and the majesty of the emperor. Livy says that this military oath was first legally exacted in the time of the second Punic war, B. C. 216, and that previously to that time each decuria of cavalry and centuria of foot had only been accustomed to swear, voluntarily among themselves, that they would act like good soldiers.

The Roman armies were, as has been observed above, originally drawn up in the form of the phalanx. In course of time the ponderous mass of the phalanx was resolved into small battalions marshalled in open order, which were termed *manipuli*, and which varied in numbers at different periods, according to the varying constitution of the legion. The original meaning of the word *manipulus* which is derived from *manus*, was a *handful* or *wispy of hay*, and this, according to Roman tradition, affixed to the end of a pole, formed the primitive military standard in the days of Romulus; hence it was applied to a detachment of soldiers serving under the same ensign. The earliest account of the division of the legion into manipuli is given by Livy in his description of the battle fought near Vesuvius in B. C. 337. On this occasion the front line or *hastati*, so called from the *hasta*, or long spear, which each man carried, consisted of 15 manipuli,

each manipulus containing 62 soldiers, a centurion, and a vexillarius: the *hastati* were the youngest of the soldiers. The second line or *principes* consisted in like manner of 15 manipuli; these were men of mature age, and from their name it would appear that anciently they were placed in the front line. This combined force of 30 manipuli was comprehended under the general appellation of *anteipilani*. The third line or *triarii* was also drawn up in 15 divisions, but each of these was triple, containing 3 manipuli, 3 vexilla, and 186 men. The *triarii* were so called because they formed the third line; they were, the veteran soldiers: each of them carried two *pila*, or strong javelins, whence they were sometimes called *pilani*; and the *hastati* and *principes*, who stood before them, *anteipilani*, as already remarked. In the third line the veterans or *triarii* proper formed the front ranks; immediately behind them stood the *rorarii*, inferior in age and renown; while the *accensi*, less trustworthy than either, were posted in the extreme rear. The battle array is represented in the cut below.

If the *hastati* and *principes* were successively repulsed, they retired through the openings left between the maniples of the *triarii*, who then closed up their ranks so as to leave no space between their maniples, and presented a continuous front and solid column to the enemy: the heavy-armed veterans in the foremost ranks with their long *pila* now bore the brunt of the onset, while the *rorarii* and *accensi* behind gave weight and consistency to the mass, an arrangement bearing evidence to a lingering predilection for the principle of the phalanx, and representing, just as we might expect at that period, the Roman tactics in their transition state.

In the time of Polybius, when the legion contained 4200 men, it was divided into 1200 *hastati*, 1200 *principes*, 600 *triarii*, the remain-



Exercitus, Battle Array.

tensity according to the popularity of the candidates for whom they were given. These manifestations of esteem were noted by persons in an adjoining building, who could judge of the shouting, but could not tell in whose favour it was given. The person whom these judges thought to be most applauded was declared the successful candidate. The office lasted for life.

The functions of the councillors were partly deliberative, partly judicial, and partly executive. In the discharge of the first, they prepared measures and passed preliminary decrees, which were to be laid before the popular assembly, so that the important privilege of initiating all changes in the government or laws was vested in them. As a criminal court, they could punish with death and civil degradation (*ἀρῆα*). They also appear to have exercised, like the Areopagus at Athens, a general superintendence and inspection over the lives and manners of the citizens, and probably were allowed a kind of patriarchal authority, to enforce the observance of ancient usage and discipline. It is not, however, easy to define with exactness the original extent of their functions; especially as respects the last-mentioned duty, since the Ephors not only encroached upon the prerogatives of the king and council, but also possessed, in very early times, a censorial power, and were not likely to permit any diminution of its extent.

GIRDLE. [ZONA.]

GLADIATORES (*μονομάχοι*) were men who fought with swords in the amphitheatre and other places, for the amusement of the Roman people. They are said to have been first exhibited by the Etruscans, and to have had their origin from the custom of killing slaves and captives at the funeral pyres of the deceased. [BUSTUM; FUNUS.] A show of gladiators was called *munus*, and the person who exhibited (*edebat*) it, *editor*, *munerator*, or *dominus*, who was honoured during the day of exhibition, if a private person, with the official signs of a magistrate.

Gladiators were first exhibited at Rome in B. C. 264, in the Forum Boarium, by Marcus and Decimus Brutus, at the funeral of their father. They were at first confined to public funerals, but afterwards fought at the funerals of most persons of consequence, and even at those of women. Combats of gladiators were also exhibited at entertainments, and especially at public festivals by the aediles and other magistrates, who sometimes exhibited immense numbers, with the view of pleasing the people. Under the empire the passion of the Romans for this amusement rose to its greatest height, and the number of gladiators

who fought on some occasions appears almost incredible. After Trajan's triumph over the Dacians, there were more than 10,000 exhibited.

Gladiators consisted either of captives, slaves, and condemned malefactors, or of free-born citizens who fought voluntarily. Free-men, who became gladiators for hire were called *auctorati*, and their hire *auctoramentum* or *gladiatorium*. Even under the republic, free-born citizens fought as gladiators, but they appear to have belonged only to the lower orders. Under the empire, however, both knights and senators fought in the arena, and even women.

Gladiators were kept in schools (*ludi*), where they were trained by persons called *lanistae*. The whole body of gladiators under one lanista was frequently called *familia*. They sometimes were the property of the lanistae, who let them out to persons who wished to exhibit a show of gladiators; but at other times they belonged to citizens, who kept them for the purpose of exhibition, and engaged lanistae to instruct them. Thus we read of the ludus Aemilius at Rome, and of Caesar's ludus at Capua. The gladiators fought in these *ludi* with wooden swords, called *rudes*. Great attention was paid to their diet, in order to increase the strength of their bodies.

Gladiators were sometimes exhibited at the funeral pyre, and sometimes in the forum, but more frequently in the amphitheatre. [AMPHITHEATRUM.] The person who was to exhibit a show of gladiators, published some days before the exhibition, bills (*libelli*) containing the number and frequently the names of those who were to fight. When the day came, they were led along the arena in procession, and matched by pairs; and their swords were examined by the editor to see if they were sufficiently sharp. At first there was a kind of sham battle, called *praelusio*, in which they fought with wooden swords, or the like, and afterwards at the sound of the trumpet the real battle began. When a gladiator was wounded, the people called out *habet* or *hoc habet*; and the one who was vanquished lowered his arms in token of submission. His fate, however, depended upon the people, who pressed down their thumbs if they wished him to be saved, but turned them up if they wished him to be killed, and ordered him to receive the sword (*ferum recipere*), which gladiators usually did with the greatest firmness. If the life of a vanquished gladiator was spared, he obtained his discharge for that day, which was called *missio*; and hence in an exhibition of gladiators *sine missione*, the lives of the conquered were never spared. This kind of exhibition, however was forbidden by Augustus.

Palms were usually given to the victorious gladiators. Old gladiators, and sometimes, those who had only fought for a short time, were discharged from the service by the editor at the request of the people, who presented each of them with a rudis or wooden sword; whence those who were discharged were called *Rudiarii*.

Gladiators were divided into different classes, according to their arms and different mode of fighting, or other circumstances. The names of the most important of these classes is given in alphabetical order:—

Andabatae wore helmets without any aperture for the eyes, so that they were obliged to fight blindfold, and thus excited the mirth of the spectators.

Catersarii was the name given to gladiators when they did not fight in pairs, but when several fought together.

Essedarii fought from chariots, like the Gauls and Britons. [ESSEDA.]

Hoplomachi appear to have been those who fought in a complete suit of armour.

Meridiani were those who fought in the middle of the day, after combats with wild beasts had taken place in the morning. These gladiators were very slightly armed.

Mirmillones are said to have been so called from their having the image of a fish (*mormyr*, *μορμύρος*) on their helmets. Their arms were like those of the Gauls, whence we find that they were also called Galli. They were usually matched with the Retiarii or Thracians.

Provocatores fought with the Samnites, but we do not know anything respecting them except their name.

Retiarii carried only a three-pointed lance, called *tridens* or *fuscina* [FUSCINA], and a net (*rete*), which they endeavoured to throw over their adversaries, and they then attacked them with the fuscina while they were entangled. The retiarius was dressed in a short tunic,



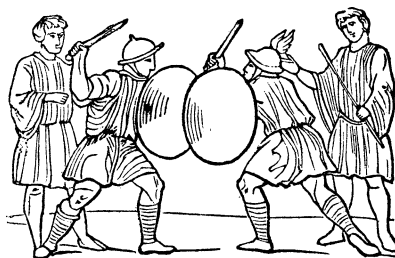
A Mirmillo and a Retiarius.

and wore nothing on his head. If he missed his aim in throwing the net, he betook himself to flight, and endeavoured to prepare his net for a second cast, while his adversary followed him round the arena in order to kill him before he could make a second attempt. His adversary was usually a *secutor* or a *mirmillo*. In the preceding woodcut a combat is represented between a retiarius and a mirmillo; the former has thrown his net over the head of the latter, and is proceeding to attack him with the fuscina. The lanista stands behind the retiarius.

Samnites were so called, because they were armed in the same way as that people, and were particularly distinguished by the oblong *scutum*.

Secutores are supposed by some writers to be so called because the secutor in his combat with the retiarius pursued the latter when he failed in securing him by his net. Other writers think that they were the same as the *supposititii*, who were gladiators substituted in the place of those who were wearied or were killed.

Thracæ or *Threces* were armed, like the Thracians, with a round shield or buckler, and a short sword or dagger (*sica*). They were usually matched, as already stated, with the mirmillones. The following woodcut represents a combat between two Thracians. A lanista stands behind each.



Thracians.

GLADIUS (*ξίφος*, *poet. ῥορ*, *φάσγανον*), a sword or glaive, by the Latin poets called *ensis*. The ancient sword had generally a straight two-edged blade, rather broad, and nearly of equal width from hilt to point. The Greeks and Romans wore them on the left side [cut, p. 38], so as to draw them out of the sheath (*vagina*, *κολέος*) by passing the right hand in front of the body to take hold of the hilt with the thumb next to the blade. The early Greeks used a very short sword. Iphi-

crates, who made various improvements in armour about 400 B.C., doubled its length. The Roman sword was larger, heavier, and more formidable than the Greek.

GLANDES. [FUNDA.]

GOLD. [AURUM.]

GRAMMATEUS (*γραμματεὺς*), a clerk or scribe. Among the great number of scribes employed by the magistrates and government of Athens, there were three of a higher rank, who were real state-officers. One of them was appointed by lot, by the senate, to serve the time of the administration of each prytany, though he always belonged to a different prytany from that which was in power. He was, therefore, called *γραμματεὺς κατὰ πρυτανείαν*. His province was to keep the public records, and the decrees of the people which were made during the time of his office, and to deliver to the thesmothetae the decrees of the senate.

The second *grammateus* was elected by the senate, by *χειροτονία*, and was entrusted with the custody of the laws. His usual name was *γραμματεὺς τῆς βουλῆς*.

A third *grammateus* was called *γραμματεὺς τῆς πόλεως*, or *γραμματεὺς τῆς βουλῆς καὶ τοῦ δήμου*. He was appointed by the people, by *χειροτονία*, and the principal part of his office was to read any laws or documents which were required to be read in the assembly or in the senate.

GRAPHE' (*γραφή*). [DICE']

GREAVES. [OCREA.]

GUBERNACULUM (*πηδάλιον*), a rudder. Before the invention of the rudder, which Pliny ascribes to Tiphys, the pilot of the ship *Argo*, vessels were both propelled and guided by oars alone. This circumstance may account for

the form of the ancient rudder, as well as for the mode of using it. It was like an oar with a very broad blade, and was commonly placed on each side of the stern, not at its extremity. The annexed woodcut presents examples of its appearance as it is frequently exhibited on coins, gems, and other works of art.

The usual position of the rudder at the side of the stern is seen in the woodcut at p. 25.

The gubernaculum was managed by the *gubernator* (*κυβερνήτης*); who is also called the *rector* as distinguished from the *magister*, and by the Greek poets *ολακοστρόφος* and *ολακονόμος*, because he turns and directs the helm.

GUSTA'TIO. [COENA.]

GUTTUS. [BALNEUM, p. 49.]

GYMNASIUM (*γυμνάσιον*). The whole education of a Greek youth was divided into three parts—grammar, music, and gymnastics (*γράμματα, μουσική, γυμναστική*), to which Aristotle adds a fourth, the art of drawing or painting. Gymnastics, however, were thought by the ancients a matter of such importance, that this part of education alone occupied as much time and attention as all the others put together; and while the latter necessarily ceased at a certain period of life, gymnastics continued to be cultivated by persons of all ages, though those of an advanced age naturally took lighter and less fatiguing exercises than boys and youths. The ancients, and more especially the Greeks, seem to have been thoroughly convinced that the mind could not possibly be in a healthy state, unless the body was likewise in perfect health, and no means were thought, either by philosophers or physicians, to be more conducive to preserve or restore bodily health than well-regulated exercise. The word gymnastics is derived from *γυμνός* (naked), because the persons who performed their exercises in public or private gymnasia were either entirely naked or merely covered by the short *chiton*.

Gymnastic exercises among the Greeks seem to have been as old as the Greek nation itself; but they were, as might be supposed, of a rude and mostly of a warlike character. They were generally held in the open air, and in plains near a river, which afforded an opportunity for swimming and bathing. It was about the time of Solon that the Greek towns began to build their regular gymnasia as places of exercise for the young, with baths, and other conveniences for philosophers and all persons who sought intellectual amusements. There was probably no Greek town of any importance which did not possess its gymnasium. Athens possessed three great



Gubernaculum, Rudder.

gymnasia, the Lyceum (Λύκειον), Cynosarges (Κυνόσαργες), and the Academia (Ἀκαδημία); to which, in later times, several smaller ones were added.

Respecting the superintendence and administration of the gymnasia at Athens, we know that Solon in his legislation thought them worthy of great attention; and the transgression of some of his laws relating to the gymnasia was punished with death. His laws mention a magistrate, called the gymnasiarch (γυμνασιάρχος or γυμνασιάρχης), who was entrusted with the whole management of the gymnasia, and with everything connected therewith. His office was one of the regular liturgies like the choregia and trierarchy, and was attended with considerable expense. He had to maintain and pay the persons who were preparing themselves for the games and contests in the public festivals, to provide them with oil, and perhaps with the wrestlers' dust. It also devolved upon him to adorn the gymnasium, or the place where the agones took place. The gymnasiarch was a real magistrate, and invested with a kind of jurisdiction over all those who frequented or were connected with the gymnasia. Another part of his duties was to conduct the solemn games at certain great festivals, especially the torch-race (λαμπάδηφορία), for which he selected the most distinguished among the ephebi of the gymnasia. The number of gymnasiarchs was ten, one from every tribe.

An office of very great importance, in an educational point of view, was that of the *Sophronistae* (σωφρονισταί). Their province was to inspire the youths with a love of σωφροσύνη, and to protect this virtue against all injurious influences. In early times their number at Athens was ten, one from every tribe, with a salary of one drachma per day. Their duty not only required them to be present at all the games of the ephebi, but to watch and correct their conduct wherever they might meet them, both within and without the gymnasium.

The instructions in the gymnasia were given by the *Gymnastae* (γυμνασταί) and the *Paedotribae* (παιδοτριβαί); at a later period *hypopaedotribae* were added. The paedotribes was required to possess a knowledge of all the various exercises which were performed in the gymnasia; the gymnastes was the practical teacher, and was expected to know the physiological effects and influences on the constitution of the youths, and therefore assigned to each of them those exercises which he thought most suitable.

The anointing of the bodies of the youths and strewing them with dust, before they

commenced their exercises, as well as the regulation of their diet, was the duty of the aliptae. [ΑΛΙΠΤΑΕ.]

Among all the different tribes of the Greeks the exercises which were carried on in a Greek gymnasium were either mere games, or the more important exercises which the gymnasia had in common with the public contests in the great festivals.

Among the former we may mention, 1. The game at ball (σφαίριστική), which was in universal favour with the Greeks. [ΠΙΛΑ.] Every gymnasium contained one large room for the purpose of playing at ball in it (σφαίριστήριον). 2. Πάλιν ελκυστίνδα, διελκυστίνδα, or διὰ γραμμῆς, was a game in which one boy, holding one end of a rope, tried to pull the boy who held its other end, across a line marked between them on the ground. 3. The top (βέμβηξ, βέμβιξ, ῥόμβος, στρόβιλος), which was as common an amusement with Greek boys as it is with ours. 4. The πεντάλιθος, which was a game with five stones, which were thrown up from the upper part of the hand and caught in the palm. 5. Σκαπέρδα, which was a game in which a rope was drawn through the upper part of a tree or a post. Two boys, one on each side of the post, turning their backs towards one another, took hold of the ends of the rope and tried to pull each other up. This sport was also one of the amusements at the Attic Dionysia.

The more important games, such as running (δρόμος), throwing of the δίσκος and the ἄκων, jumping and leaping (ἄλμα, with and without ἄλτηρες), wrestling (πάλη), boxing (πυγμή), the pancratium (παγκράτιον), πένταθλος, λαμπάδηφορία, dancing (ὄρχησις), &c., are described in separate articles.

A gymnasium was not a Roman institution. The regular training of boys in the Greek gymnastics was foreign to Roman manners, and even held in contempt. Towards the end of the republic, many wealthy Romans who had acquired a taste for Greek manners, used to attach to their villas small places for bodily exercise, sometimes called gymnasia, sometimes palaestrae, and to adorn them with beautiful works of art. The emperor Nero was the first who built a public gymnasium at Rome.

GYMNOPAEDIA (γυμνοπαίδια), the festival of "naked youths," was celebrated at Sparta every year in honour of Apollo Pythaeus, Diana, and Latona. The statues of these deities stood in a part of the agora called χορός, and it was around these statues that, at the gymnopaedia, Spartan youths performed their choruses and dances in honour of

Apollo. The festival lasted for several, perhaps for ten, days, and on the last day men also performed choruses and dances in the theatre; and during these gymnastic exhibitions they sang the songs of Thaletas and Alcman, and the paeans of Dionysodotus. The leader of the chorus (*προστάτης* or *χοροποιός*) wore a kind of chaplet in commemoration of the victory of the Spartans at Thyrea. This event seems to have been closely connected with the gymnopaedia, for those Spartans who had fallen on that occasion were always praised in songs at this festival. The boys in their dances performed such rhythmical movements as resembled the exercises of the palaestra and the pancration, and also imitated the wild gestures of the worship of Bacchus. The whole season of the gymnopaedia, during which Sparta was visited by great numbers of strangers, was one of great merriment and rejoicings, and old bachelors alone seem to have been excluded from the festivities. The introduction of the gymnopaedia is generally assigned to the year 665 B. C.

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HAIR. [COMA.]

HALTERES (*ἀλτήρες*), were certain masses of stone or metal, which were used in the gymnastic exercises of the Greeks and Romans. Persons who practised leaping frequently performed their exercises with halteres in both hands; but they were also frequently used merely to exercise the body in somewhat the same manner as our dumb-bells.



Halteres.

HARMAMAXA (*ἁρμάμαξα*), a carriage for persons, covered overhead and inclosed with curtains. It was in general large, often drawn by four horses, and attired with splendid ornaments. It occupied among the Persians the same place which the carpentum did among the Romans, being used, especially upon state occasions, for the conveyance of women and children, of eunuchs, and of the sons of the king with their tutors.

HARMOSTAE (*ἁρμοσταί*, from *ἁρμόζω*, to fit or join together), the name of the governors whom the Lacedaemonians, after the Peloponnesian war, sent to their subject or conquered towns, partly to keep them in submission, and partly to abolish the democratical form of government, and establish in its stead one similar to their own. Although in many cases they were ostensibly sent for the purpose of abolishing the tyrannical government of a town, and to restore the people to freedom, yet they themselves acted like kings or tyrants.

HARPASTUM. [PILA.]

HARUSPICES, or **ARUSPICES** (*ἀροσκοποι*), soothsayers or diviners, who interpreted the will of the gods. They originally came to Rome from Etruria, whence haruspices were often sent for by the Romans on important occasions. The art of the haruspices resembled in many respects that of the augurs; but they never acquired that political importance which the latter possessed, and were regarded rather as means of ascertaining the will of the gods than as possessing any religious authority. They did not in fact form any part of the ecclesiastical polity of the Roman state during the republic; they are never called sacerdotes, they did not form a collegium, and had no magister at their head.

The art of the haruspices, which was called *haruspicina*, consisted in explaining and interpreting the will of the gods from the appearance of the entrails (*exta*) of animals offered in sacrifice, whence they are sometimes called *extispices*, and their art *extispicium*; and also from lightning, earthquakes, and all extraordinary phenomena in nature, to which the general name of *portenta* was given. Their art is said to have been invented by the Etruscan Tages, and was contained in certain books called *libri haruspicini*, *fulgurales*, and *tonitruales*.

This art was considered by the Romans so important at one time, that the senate decreed that a certain number of young Etruscans, belonging to the principal families in the state, should always be instructed in it. In later times, however, their art fell into disrepute

among well-educated Romans; and Cicero relates a saying of Cato, that he wondered that one haruspex did not laugh when he saw another.

The name of haruspex is sometimes applied to any kind of soothsayer or prophet.

HASTA (ἔγχος), a spear. The spear is defined by Homer, *δῶρυ χάλκηρες*, "a pole fitted with bronze." The bronze, for which iron was afterwards substituted, was indispensable to form the point (*αἰχμή*, ἄκωκῆ, Homer; *λόγχη*, Xenophon; *acies*, *cuspis*, *spiculum*) of the spear. Each of these two essential parts is often put for the whole, so that a spear is called *δῶρυ* and *δορύτιον*, *αἰχμή*, and *λόγχη*. Even the more especial term *μελία*, meaning an ash-tree, is used in the same manner, because the pole of the spear was often the stem of a young ash, stript of its bark and polished.

The bottom of the spear was often inclosed in a pointed cap of bronze, called by the Ionic writers *σανρωτήρ*, and *σπράχος*, and in Attic or common Greek *σπύραξ*. By forcing this into the ground the spear was fixed erect.

Under the general terms *hasta* and *ἐγχος* were included various kinds of missiles, of which the principal were as follow:—

Lancea (λάνχη), the lance, a comparatively slender spear commonly used by the Greeks.

Pilum (πίσος), the javelin, much thicker and stronger than the Grecian lance. Its shaft was partly square, and 5½ feet long. The head, nine inches long, was of iron. It was used either to throw or to thrust with; it was peculiar to the Romans, and gave the name of *pilani* to the division of the army by which it was adopted.

Veru or *Verutum*, a spit, used by the light infantry of the Roman army. It was adopted by them from the Samnites and the Volsci. Its shaft was 3½ feet long, its point five inches.

Besides the terms *jaculum* and *spiculum* (ἄκων, ἄκόντιον), which probably denoted darts, we find the names of various other spears, which were characteristic of particular nations. Thus, the *gaesum* was the spear peculiar to the Gauls, and the *sarissa* the spear peculiar to the Macedonians. This was used both to throw and as a pike. It exceeded in length all other missiles. The Thracian *romphaea*, which had a very long point, like the blade of a sword, was probably not unlike the *sarissa*.

The iron head of the German spear, called *framea*, was short and narrow, but very sharp. The Germans used it with great effect, either as a lance or a pike; they gave to each youth a *framea* and a shield on coming of age. The

falarica or *phalarica* was the spear of the Sarguntines, and was impelled by the aid of twisted ropes: it was large and ponderous, having a head of iron a cubit in length, and a ball of lead at its other end; it sometimes carried flaming pitch and tow. The *matara* and *tragula* were chiefly used in Gaul and Spain; the *tragula* was probably barbed, as it required to be cut out of the wound. The *acilis* and *cateia* were much smaller missiles.

A spear was erected at auctions [AUCTION], and when tenders were received for public offices (*locationes*). It served both to announce, by a conventional sign conspicuous at a distance, that a sale was going on, and to show that it was conducted under the authority of the public functionaries. Hence an auction was called *hasta*, and an auction-room *hastarium*. It was also the practice to set up a spear in the court of the CENTUMVIRI.

HASTA'TI. [EXERCITUS, p. 146.]

HELLANO'DICAE (ἐλληνοδίκαι), the judges in the Olympic games, of whom an account is given under OLYMPIA. The same name was also given to the judges or court-martial in the Lacedaemonian army, and they were probably first called by this name when Sparta was at the head of the Greek confederacy.

HELLENOTAMIAE (ἐλληνοταμίαι), or treasurers of the Greeks, were magistrates appointed by the Athenians to receive the contributions of the allied states. They were first appointed B. C. 477, when Athens, in consequence of the conduct of Pausanias, had obtained the command of the allied states. The money paid by the different states, which was originally fixed at 460 talents, was deposited in Delos, which was the place of meeting for the discussion of all common interests; and there can be no doubt that the *hellenotamiae* not only received, but were also the guardians of, these monies. The office was retained after the treasury was transferred to Athens on the proposal of the Samians, but was of course abolished on the conquest of Athens by the Lacedaemonians.

HELMET. [GALEA.]

HELOTES (ἐἰλωτες), a class of bondsmen peculiar to Sparta. They were Achaeans, who had resisted the Dorian invaders to the last, and had been reduced to slavery as the punishment of their obstinacy.

The Helots were regarded as the property of the state, while it gave their services to individuals, reserved to itself the power of emancipating them. They were attached to the land, and could not be sold away from it. They cultivated the land, and paid to their masters as rent a fixed measure

of corn, the exact amount of which had been fixed at a very early period, the raising of that amount being forbidden under heavy imprecations. Besides being engaged in the cultivation of the land, the Helots attended on their masters at the public meal, and many of them were no doubt employed by the state in public works.

In war the Helots served as light-armed troops (*ψιλοί*), a certain number of them attending every heavy-armed Spartan to the field; at the battle of Plataeae there were seven Helots to each Spartan. These attendants were probably called *ἀμπύτταρες* (i. e. *ἀμφίσταντες*), and one of them in particular, the *θεράπων*, or *servant*. The Helots only served as hoplites in particular emergencies; and on such occasions they were generally emancipated. The first instance of this kind was in the expedition of Brasidas, B. C. 424.

The treatment to which the Helots were subjected was marked by the most wanton cruelty; and they were regarded by the Spartans with the greatest suspicion. Occasionally the ephors selected young Spartans for the secret service (*κρυπτεία*) of wandering over the country, in order to kill the Helots.

The Helots might be emancipated, but there were several steps between them and the free citizens; and it is doubtful whether they were ever admitted to all the privileges of citizenship. The following classes of emancipated Helots are enumerated:—*ἄφεται*, *ἀδέσποτοι*, *ἐρυκτῆρες*, *δεσποσιναῦται*, and *νεοδαμώδεις*. Of these the *ἄφεται* were probably released from all service; the *ἐρυκτῆρες* were those employed in war; the *δεσποσιναῦται* served on board the fleet; and the *νεοδαμώδεις* were those who had been possessed of freedom for some time. Besides these, there were the *μόθωνες* or *μόθακες*, who were domestic slaves, brought up with the young Spartans, and then emancipated. Upon being emancipated they received permission to dwell where they wished.

HE'NDECA (*οἱ ἑνδεκά*), the Eleven, were magistrates at Athens of considerable importance. They were annually chosen by lot, one from each of the ten tribes, and a secretary (*γραμματεὺς*), who must properly be regarded as their servant (*ὀπρῆτης*), though he formed one of their number.

The principal duty of the Eleven was the care and management of the public prison (*δεσμωτήριον*), which was entirely under their jurisdiction. The prison, however, was seldom used by the Athenians as a mere place of confinement, serving generally for punishments and executions. When a person was

condemned to death he was immediately given into the custody of the Eleven, who were then bound to carry the sentence into execution according to the laws. The most common mode of execution was by hemlock juice (*κῶνειον*), which was drunk after sunset. The Eleven had under them jailors, executioners, and torturers. When torture was inflicted in causes affecting the state, it was either done in the immediate presence of the Eleven, or by their servant (*ὁ δῆμιος*).

The Eleven usually had only to carry into execution the sentence passed in the courts of law and the public assemblies; but in some cases they possessed jurisdiction. This was the case in those summary proceedings called *apogoe*, *ephegesis* and *endeixis*, in which the penalty was fixed by law, and might be inflicted by the court on the confession or conviction of the accused, without appealing to any of the jury courts.

HEPHAESTEIA. [LAMPADOPHORIA.]

HERAEA ('*Ἡραία*), the name of festivals celebrated in honour of Hera (Juno) in all the towns of Greece where the worship of this divinity was introduced. The original seat of her worship was Argos; whence her festivals in other places were, more or less, imitations of those which were celebrated at Argos. Her service was performed by the most distinguished priestesses of the place; one of them was the high-priestess, and the Argives counted their years by the date of her office. The Heraea of Argos were celebrated every fifth year. One of the great solemnities which took place on the occasion, was a magnificent procession to the great temple of Juno, between Argos and Mycenae. A vast number of young men assembled at Argos, and marched in armour to the temple of the goddess. They were preceded by one hundred oxen (*ἐκατόμβη*, whence the festival is also called *ἐκατόμβαια*). The high-priestess accompanied this procession, riding in a chariot, drawn by two white oxen. The 100 oxen were sacrificed, and their flesh distributed among all the citizens; after which games and contests took place.

Of the Heraea celebrated in other countries, those of Samos, which island derived the worship of Juno from Argos, were perhaps the most brilliant of all the festivals of this divinity. The Heraea of Elis, which were celebrated in the fourth year of every Olympiad, were also conducted with considerable splendour.

HERMAE ('*Ἑρμαῖ*), square blocks of stone, surmounted by the head of a divinity. They were probably so called because the first statues of this kind were those of Hermes or Mercury.

Houses in Athens had one of these statues placed at the door, and the great superstition attached to them is shown by the alarm and indignation which were felt at Athens in consequence of the mutilation of the whole number in a single night, just before the sailing of the Sicilian expedition.

As the square part of the statue represented Hermes (Mercury), his name is often compounded with that of the deity whose bust it supports. Thus, the *Hermathena* which Attica sent from Athens to Cicero bore the bust of Athena or Minerva; the *Hermeraclae*, those of Heracles (Hercules.)

HERMAEA (Ἑρμαία), festivals of Hermes (Mercury) celebrated in various parts of Greece. As Mercury was the tutelary deity of the gymnasia and palaestrae, the boys at Athens celebrated the Hermaea in the gymnasia.

HIEROMNEMONES (ἱερομνήμονες), the more honourable of the two classes of representatives who composed the Amphictyonic council. An account of them is given under AMPHICTYONES. We also read of hieromnemones in Grecian states, distinct from the Amphictyonic representatives of this name. Thus the priests of Neptune, at Megara, were called hieromnemones, and at Byzantium, which was a colony of Megara, the chief magistrate in the state appears to have been called by this name.

HIERONICAÆ. [ATHLETÆ.]

HILARIA (Ἰλάρια), a Roman festival, celebrated on the 25th of March, in honour of Cybele the mother of the gods.

HISTRIO (ὑποκριτής), an actor. 1. GREEK. It is shown in the articles CHORUS and DIONYSIA that the Greek drama originated in the chorus which at the festivals of Bacchus danced around his altar, and that at first one person detached himself from the chorus, and, with mimic gesticulation, related his story either to the chorus or in conversation with it. If the story thus acted required more than one person, they were all represented in succession by the same actor, and there was never more than one person on the stage at a time. This custom was retained by Thespis and Phrynichus. Aeschylus introduced a second and a third actor; and the number of three actors was but seldom exceeded in any Greek drama. The three regular actors were distinguished by the technical names of *πρωταγωνιστής*, *δευτεραγωνιστής*, and *τριταγωνιστής*, which indicated the more or less prominent part which an actor had to perform in the drama.

The female characters of a play were always performed by young men. A distinct

class of persons, who made acting on the stage their profession, was unknown to the Greeks during the period of their great dramatists. The earliest and greatest dramatic poets, Thespis, Sophocles, and probably Aeschylus also acted in their own plays, and in all probability as *protagonistae*. It was not thought degrading in Greece to perform on the stage. At a later period persons began to devote themselves exclusively to the profession of actors, and distinguished individuals received even as early as the time of Demosthenes exorbitant sums for their performances.

2. ROMAN. The word *histrio*, by which the Roman actor was called, is said to have been formed from the Etruscan *hister*, which signified a ludio or dancer. In the year 364 B. C. Rome was visited by a plague, and as no human means could stop it, the Romans are said to have tried to avert the anger of the gods by scenic plays (*ludi scenici*), which, until then, had been unknown to them; and as there were no persons at Rome prepared for such performances, the Romans sent to Etruria for them. The first *histriones*, who were thus introduced from Etruria, were dancers, and performed their movements to the accompaniment of a flute. Roman youths afterwards not only imitated these dancers, but also recited rude and jocose verses, adapted to the movements of the dance and the melody of the flute. This kind of amusement, which was the basis of the Roman drama, remained unaltered until the time of Livius Andronicus, who introduced a slave upon the stage for the purpose of singing or reciting the recitative, while he himself performed the appropriate dance and gesticulation. A further step in the development of the drama, which is likewise ascribed to Livius, was, that the dancer and reciter carried on a dialogue, and acted a story with the accompaniment of the flute. The name *histrio*, which originally signified a dancer, was now applied to the actors in the drama. The *atellanae* were played by free born Romans, while the regular drama was left to the *histriones*, who formed a distinct class of persons. The *histriones* were not citizens; they were not contained in the tribes, nor allowed to be enlisted as soldiers in the Roman legions; and if any citizen entered the profession of an *histrion*, he, on this account, was excluded from his tribe. The *histriones* were therefore always either freedmen, strangers, or slaves, and many passages of Roman writers show that they were generally held in great contempt. Towards the close of the republic it was only such men as Cicero, who, by their Greek education, raised themselves above the prejudices of their countrymen, and

valued the person no less than the talents of an Aesopus and a Roscius. But notwithstanding this low estimation in which actors were generally held, distinguished individuals among them attracted immense crowds to the theatres, and were exorbitantly paid. Roscius alone received every day that he performed one thousand denarii, and Aesopus left his son a fortune of 200,000 sesterces, which he had acquired solely by his profession.

The pay of the actors was called *lucar*, which word was perhaps confined originally to the payment made to those who took part in the religious services celebrated in groves.

HONORES, the high offices of the state to which qualified individuals were called by the votes of the Roman citizens. The words "magistratus" and "honores" are sometimes coupled together. The capacity for enjoying the honores was one of the distinguished marks of citizenship. [CIVITAS.]

Honor was distinguished from *munus*. The latter was an office connected with the administration of the state, and was attended with cost (*sumptus*) but not with rank (*dignitas*). Honor was properly said *deferri*, *dari*; *munus* was said *imponi*. A person who held a magistratus might be said to discharge *munera*, but only as incident to the office, for the office itself was the *honor*. Such *munera* as these were public games and other things of the kind.

HOPLITAE. [EXERCITUS, p. 143.]

HORA. [DIES.]

HOROLOGIUM (*ὥρολόγιον*), the name of the various instruments by means of which the ancients measured the time of the day and night. The earliest and simplest horologia of which mention is made, were called *polos* (*πόλος*) and *gnomon* (*γνώμων*). Both divided the day into twelve equal parts, and were a kind of sundial. The *gnomon*, which was also called *sticheion* (*στοιχείον*), was the more simple of the two, and probably the more ancient. It consisted of a staff or pillar standing perpendicular, in a place exposed to the sun (*σκιόθηρον*), so that the length of its shadow might be easily ascertained. The shadow of the *gnomon* was measured by feet, which were probably marked on the place where the shadow fell. In later times the name *gnomon* was applied to any kind of sun-dial, especially to its finger which threw the shadow, and thus pointed to the hour.

The *polos* or *heliotropion* (*ἡλιότροπion*), on the other hand, seems to have been a more perfect kind of sun-dial; but it appears, nevertheless not to have been much used. It consisted of a basin (*λεκάνη*), in the middle of which the perpendicular staff or finger (*γνώμων*) was erected, and in it the twelve parts of the day were marked by lines.

Another kind of horologium was the *clepsydra* (*κλεψύδρα*). It derived its name from *κλέπτειν* and *ὕδωρ*, as in its original and simple form it consisted of a vessel with several little openings (*τρύπηματα*) at the bottom, through which the water contained in it escaped, as it were, by stealth. This instrument seems at first to have been used only for the purpose of measuring the time during which persons were allowed to speak in the courts of justice at Athens. It was a hollow globe, probably somewhat flat at the top part, where it had a short neck (*αὐλός*), like that of a bottle, through which the water was poured into it. This opening might be closed by a lid or stopper (*πῶμα*), to prevent the water running out at the bottom. As the time for speaking in the Athenian courts was thus measured by water, the orators frequently use the term *ὕδωρ* instead of the time allowed to them. An especial officer (*ὁ ἐφ' ὕδωρ*) was appointed in the courts for the purpose of watching the clepsydra, and stopping it when any documents were read, whereby the speaker was interrupted. The time, and consequently the quantity of water allowed to a speaker, depended upon the importance of the case.

The clepsydra used in the courts of justice was, properly speaking, no horologium; but smaller ones, made of glass, and of the same simple structure, were undoubtedly used very early in families for the purposes of ordinary life, and for dividing the day into twelve equal parts. In these glass clepsydrae the division into twelve parts must have been visible, either on the glass globe itself, or in the basin into which the water flowed.

The first horologium with which the Romans became acquainted was a sun-dial (*solarium*, or *horologium sciothericum*), and was said to have been brought to Rome by Papirius Cursor twelve years before the war with Pyrrhus. But as sun-dials were useless when the sky was cloudy, P. Scipio Nasica, in his censorship, 159 B.C., established a public clepsydra, which indicated the hours both of day and night. This clepsydra was in aftertimes generally called *solarium*. After the time of Scipio Nasica several horologia, chiefly *solaria*, seem to have been erected in various public places at Rome.

Clepsydrae were used by the Romans in their camps, chiefly for the purpose of measuring accurately the four vigiliæ into which the night was divided.

The custom of using clepsydrae as a check upon the speakers in the courts of justice at Rome, was introduced by a law of Cn. Pompeius, in his third consulship. Before that time the speakers had been under no restric-

tions, but spoke as long as they deemed proper. At Rome, as at Athens, the time allowed to the speakers, depended upon the importance of the case.

HOSPITIUM (*ξενία, προσξενία*), hospitality, was in Greece, as well as at Rome, of a twofold nature, either private or public, in so far as it was either established between individuals, or between two states. (*Hospitium privatum*, and *hospitium publicum*, *ξενία* and *προξενία*.)

In ancient Greece the stranger, as such (*ξένος* and *hostis*), was looked upon as an enemy; but whenever he appeared among another tribe or nation without any sign of hostile intentions, he was considered not only as one who required aid, but as a suppliant, and Jupiter was the protecting deity of strangers and suppliants (*Ζεὺς ξεινίος*). On his arrival, therefore, the stranger was kindly received, and provided with every thing necessary to make him comfortable. It seems to have been customary for the host, on the departure of the stranger, to break a die (*ἀσπράγгалος*) in two, one half of which he himself retained, while the other half was given to the stranger; and when at any future time they or their descendants met, they had a means of recognizing each other, and the hospitable connection was renewed. Hospitality thus not only existed between the persons who had originally formed it, but was transferred as an inheritance from father to son.

What has been said hitherto, only refers to *hospitium privatum*; but of far greater importance was the *hospitium publicum* (*προξενία*, sometimes simply *ξενία*) or public hospitality, which existed between two states, or between an individual or a family on the one hand, and a whole state on the other. Of the latter kind of public hospitality many instances are recorded, such as that between the Pisistratids and Sparta, in which the people of Athens had no share. The *hospitium publicum* among the Greeks arose undoubtedly from the *hospitium privatum*, and it may have originated in two ways. When the Greek tribes were governed by chieftains or kings, the private hospitality existing between the ruling families of two tribes may have produced similar relations between their subjects, which, after the abolition of the kingly power, continued to exist between the new republics as a kind of political inheritance of former times. Or a person belonging to one state might have either extensive connections with the citizens of another state, or entertain great partiality for the other state itself, and thus offer to receive all those who came from that state either on private or public business, and to act as their

patron in his own city. This he at first did merely as a private individual, but the state to which he offered this kind service would naturally soon recognize and reward him for it. When two states established public hospitality, and no individuals came forward to act as the representatives of their state, it was necessary that in each state persons should be appointed to show hospitality to, and watch over the interests of, all persons who came from the state connected by hospitality. The persons who were appointed to this office as the recognized agents of the state for which they acted were called *proxeni* (*πρόξενοι*), but those who undertook it voluntarily *etheloproxeni* (*ἐθελόπρόξενοι*).

The office of *proxenus*, which bears great resemblance to that of a modern consul or minister-resident, was in some cases hereditary in a particular family. When a state appointed a *proxenus*, it either sent out one of its own citizens to reside in the other state, or it selected one of the citizens of this state, and conferred upon him the honour of *proxenus*. The former was, in early times, the custom of Sparta, where the kings had the right of selecting from among the Spartan citizens those whom they wished to send out as *proxeni* to other states. But in subsequent times this custom seems to have been given up, for we find that at Athens the family of Callias were the *proxeni* of Sparta, and at Argos, the Argive Alciphron.

The principal duties of a *proxenus* were to receive those persons, especially ambassadors, who came from the state which he represented; to procure for them admission to the assembly, and seats in the theatre; to act as the patron of the strangers, and to mediate between the two states if any disputes arose. If a stranger died in the state, the *proxenus* of his country had to take care of the property of the deceased.

The hospitality of the Romans was, as in Greece, either *hospitium privatum* or *publicum*. Private hospitality with the Romans, however, seems to have been more accurately and legally defined than in Greece. The character of a *hospes*, i. e. a person connected with a Roman by ties of hospitality, was deemed even more sacred, and to have greater claims upon the host, than that of a person connected by blood or affinity. The relation of a *hospes* to his Roman friend was next in importance to that of a *cliens*. The obligations which the connection of hospitality with a foreigner imposed upon a Roman, were to receive in his house his *hospes* when travelling; and to protect, and, in case of need, to represent him as his patron in the courts of

justice. Private hospitality thus gave to the hospes the claims upon his host which the client had on his patron, but without any degree of the dependence implied in the clientela. Private hospitality was established between individuals by mutual presents, or by the mediation of a third person, and hallowed by religion; for Jupiter hospitalis was thought to watch over the *jus hospitii*, as *Ζεύς ξένιος* did with the Greeks, and the violation of it was as great a crime and impiety at Rome as in Greece. When hospitality was formed, the two friends used to divide between themselves a *tessera hospitalis*, by which, afterwards, they themselves or their descendants—for the connection was hereditary as in Greece—might recognize one another. Hospitality, when thus once established, could not be dissolved except by a formal declaration (*renuntiatio*), and in this case the *tessera hospitalis* was broken to pieces.

Public hospitality seems likewise to have existed at a very early period among the nations of Italy; but the first direct mention of public hospitality being established between Rome and another city, is after the Gauls had departed from Rome, when it was decreed that Caere should be rewarded for its good services by the establishment of public hospitality between the two cities. The public hospitality after the war with the Gauls gave to the Caerites the right of isopolity with Rome, that is, the *civitas* without the *suffragium* and the honores. [COLONIA.] In the later times of the republic we no longer find public hospitality established between Rome and a foreign state; but a relation which amounted to the same thing was introduced in its stead, that is, towns were raised to the rank of municipia, and thus obtained the *civitas* without the *suffragium* and the honores; and when a town was desirous of forming a similar relation with Rome, it entered into clientela to some distinguished Roman, who then acted as patron of the client-town. But the custom of granting the honour of *hospes publicus* to a distinguished foreigner by a decree of the senate, seems to have existed down to the end of the republic. His privileges were the same as those of a municeps, that is, he had the *civitas* but not the *suffragium* or the honores. Public hospitality was, like the *hospitium privatum*, hereditary in the family of the person to whom it had been granted.

HOPE. [DIES.]

HOUSES. [DOMUS.]

HYACINTHIA (*ἡκινθία*), a great national festival, celebrated every year at Amyclae by the Amyclaeans and Spartans, probably in honour of the Amyclaeon Apollo and Hyacin-

thus together. This Amyclaeon Apollo, however, with whom Hyacinthus was assimilated in later times, must not be confounded with Apollo, the national divinity of the Dorians. The festival was called after the youthful hero Hyacinthus, who evidently derived his name from the flower hyacinth (the emblem of death among the ancient Greeks), and whom Apollo accidentally struck dead with a quoit. The Hyacinthia lasted for three days, and began on the longest day of the Spartan month Hecatombeus, at the time when tender flowers, oppressed by the heat of the sun, drooped their languid heads. On the first and last day of the Hyacinthia, sacrifices were offered to the dead, and the death of Hyacinthus was lamented. During these two days nobody wore any garlands at the repasts, nor took bread, but only cakes and similar things, and when the solemn repasts were over, everybody went home in the greatest quiet and order. The second day, however, was wholly spent in public rejoicings and amusements, such as horse-races, dances, processions, &c. The great importance attached to this festival by the Amyclaeans and Lacedaemonians is seen from the fact, that the Amyclaeans, even when they had taken the field against an enemy, always returned home on the approach of the season of the Hyacinthia, that they might not be obliged to neglect its celebration; and that in a treaty with Sparta, B. C. 421, the Athenians, in order to show their good-will towards Sparta, promised every year to attend the celebration of this festival.

HYDRIAPHORIA (*ὕδριαφορία*), was the carrying of a vessel with water (*ὕδρια*), which service the married alien (*μέτοικοι*) women had to perform to the married part of the female citizens of Athens, when they walked to the temple of Minerva in the great procession at the Panathenaea.

I.

JACULUM. [HASTA.]

JANUA (*θύρα*), a door. Besides being applicable to the doors of apartments in the interior of a house, which were properly called *ostia*, this term more especially denoted the first entrance into the house, i. e., the front or street door, which was also called *anticum*, and in Greek *θύρα αὐλῆος*, *αὐλεία*, *αὐλῖος*, or *αὐλία*. The houses of the Romans commonly had a back-door, called *posticum*, *postica*, or *posticula*, and in Greek *παράθυρα*, *dim. παρὰθύριον*.

The door-way, when complete, consisted

of four indispensable parts ; the threshold, or sill (*limen*, βῆλος, οὐδός); the lintel (*jugumentum*, *limen superum*); and the two jambs (*postes*, σταθμοί).

The door itself was called *foris* or *valva*, and in Greek *σανίς*, *κλισιάς*, or *θύρετρον*. These words are commonly found in the plural, because the door-way of every building, of the least importance contained two doors folding together. When *foris* is used in the singular, it denotes one of the folding doors only.

The fastenings of the door (*claustra*, *obices*) commonly consisted in a bolt (*pessulus*; μάνδαλος, κατοχὴν, κλειθρόν), placed at the base of each *foris*, so as to admit of being pushed into a socket made in the sill to receive it.

By night, the front door of the house was farther secured by means of wooden and sometimes an iron bar (*sera*, *repagula*, *μοχλός*) placed across it, and inserted into sockets on each side of the door-way. Hence it was necessary to remove the bar (*τὸν μοχλὸν παράφειν*) in order to open the door (*reserare*.)

It was considered improper to enter a house without giving notice to its inmates. This notice the Spartans gave by shouting; the Athenians and all other nations by using the knocker, or more commonly by rapping with the knuckles or with a stick (*κρούειν*, *κόπτειν*). In the houses of the rich a porter (*janitor*, *custos*, *θυραῖος*) was always in attendance to open the door. He was commonly a eunuch or a slave, and was chained to his post. To assist him in guarding the entrance, a dog was universally kept near it, being also attached by a chain to the wall; and in reference to this practice, the warning *cave canem*, εὔλαβου τὴν κύναν, was sometimes written near the door. The appropriate name for the portion of the house immediately behind the door (*θυρῶν*), denotes that it was a kind of apartment; it corresponded to the hall or lobby of our houses. Immediately adjoining it, and close to the front door, there was in many houses a small room for the porter.

IDUS. [CALENDARIUM.]

IGNOMINIA. [CENSOR; INFAMIA.]

IGNOBILES. [NOVI HOMINES.]

IMA'GO, a representation or likeness, an image or figure of a person. Among the Romans those persons who had filled any of the higher or curule magistracies of the state, had the right of making images of themselves (*jus imaginum*), which privilege was permitted to no one else. These images were made of wax, and painted, and were likenesses of the persons they represented, down to the shoul-

ders. They were preserved with great care in cases in the *atria* of houses, and were only brought out on solemn occasions, as, for instance, on occasion of the funeral of a member of the family. Hence the word *imagines* is frequently used as equivalent to nobility of birth, and *homo multarum imaginum* signifies a person of great nobility, many of whose ancestors had held the higher offices of the state. *Nobiles*, therefore, were men who had such images in their family, and *ignobiles* those who had not. [NOVI HOMINES.]

IMPERATOR. [IMPERIUM.]

IMPE'RIUM, was under the republic a power, without which no military operation could be carried on as in the name and on the behalf of the state. It was not incident to any office, and was always specially conferred by a *lex curiata*, that is, a *lex* passed in the *comitia curiata*. Consequently, not even a consul could act as commander of an army, unless he were empowered by a *lex curiata*. It could not be held or exercised within the city in the republican period; but it was sometimes conferred specially upon an individual for the day of his triumph within the city, and at least, in some cases, by a *plebiscitum*.

As opposed to *potestas*, *imperium* is the power which was conferred by the state upon an individual who was appointed to command an army. The phrases *consularis potestas* and *consulare imperium* might both be properly used; but the expression *tribunitia potestas* only could be used, as the *tribuni* never received the *imperium*.

In respect of his *imperium*, he who received it was styled *imperator*. After a victory it was usual for the soldiers to salute their commander as *imperator*, but this salutation neither gave nor confirmed the title, since the title as a matter of course was given with the *imperium*. Under the republic the title came properly after the name; thus Cicero, when he was proconsul in Cilicia, could properly style himself M. Tullius Cicero Imperator, for the term merely expressed that he had the *imperium*. The emperors Tiberius and Claudius refused to assume the *praenomen* of *imperator*, but the use of it as a *praenomen* became established among their successors.

The term *imperium* was applied in the republican period to express the sovereignty of the Roman state. Thus Gaul is said by Cicero to have come under the *imperium* and ditio of the *populus Romanus*.

IMPLUVIUM. [DOMUS, p. 125.]

IMPRISONMENT. [CARCER.]

IMPU'BES. An infant was incapable of

doing any legal act. An impubes, who had passed the limits of *infantia*, could do any legal act with the *auctoritas* of his tutor. With the attainment of *pubertas*, a person obtained the full power over his property, and the *tutela* ceased: he could also dispose of his property by will; and he could contract marriage. *Pubertas*, in the case of a male, was attained with the completion of the fourteenth, and in a female, with the completion of the twelfth year.

Upon attaining the age of puberty a Roman youth assumed the *toga virilis*, but until that time he wore the *toga praetexta*, the broad purple hem of which (*praetexta*) at once distinguished him from other persons. The *toga virilis* was assumed at the *Liberalia* in the month of March, and though no age appears to have been positively fixed for the ceremony, it probably took place as a general rule on the feast which next followed the completion of the fourteenth year; though it is certain that the completion of the fourteenth year was not always the time observed. Still, so long as a male wore the *praetexta*, he was *impubes*, and when he assumed the *toga virilis*, he was *pubes*.

INAUGURATIO, was in general the ceremony by which the augurs obtained, or endeavoured to obtain, the sanction of the gods to something which had been decreed by man; in particular, however, it was the ceremony by which things or persons were consecrated to the gods, whence the terms *dedicatio* and *consecratio* were sometimes used as synonymous with *inauguratio*. Not only were priests inaugurated, but also the higher magistrates, who for this purpose were summoned by the augurs to appear on the capitol, on the third day after their election. This *inauguratio* conferred no priestly dignity upon the magistrates, but was merely a method of obtaining the sanction of the gods to their election, and gave them the right to take auspice; and on important emergencies it was their duty to make use of this privilege.

INDUTUS. [**AMICTUS**.]

INFAMIA, was a consequence of condemnation for certain crimes, and also a direct consequence of certain acts, such as adultery, prostitution, appearing on the public stage as an actor, &c. A person who became *infamis* lost the *suffragium* and honores, and was degraded to the condition of an *aerarian*. *Infamia* should be distinguished from the *Nota Censoria*, the consequence of which was only *ignominia*. [**CENSOR**.]

INFANS, INFANTIA. In the Roman law there were several distinctions of age which were made with reference to the capacity for

doing legal acts:—1. The first period was from birth to the end of the seventh year, during which time persons were called *Infantes*, or *Qui fari non possunt*. 2. The second period was from the end of seven years to the end of fourteen or twelve years, according as the person was a male or female, during which persons were defined as those *Qui fari possunt*. The persons included in these first two classes were *Impuberes*. 3. The third period was from the end of the twelfth or fourteenth to the end of the twenty-fifth year, during which period persons were *Adolescentes, Adulti*. The persons included in these three classes were *minores xxv annis* or *annorum*, and were often, for brevity's sake, called *minores* only [**CURATOR**]; and the persons included in the third and fourth class were *Puberes*. 4. The fourth period was from the age of twenty-five, during which persons were *Majores*.

INFURIAE. [**FUNUS**, p. 164.]

INFULA, a flock of white and red wool, which was slightly twisted, drawn into the form of a wreath or fillet, and used by the Romans for ornament on festive and solemn occasions. In sacrificing it was tied with a white band [**VITTA**] to the head of the victim and also of the priest.

INGENUI, were those free men who were born free. Consequently, freedmen (*libertini*) were not *ingenui*, though the sons of *libertini* were *ingenui*; nor could a *libertinus* by adoption become *ingenuus*. The words *ingenuus* and *libertinus* are often opposed to one another; and the title of freeman (*liber*), which would comprehend *libertinus*, is sometimes limited by the addition of *ingenuus* (*liber et ingenuus*.) Under the empire a person not *ingenuus* by birth, could be made *ingenuus* by the emperor.

INK. [**ATRAMENTUM**.]

INN. [**CAUPONA**.]

INQUILINUS. [**EXSILIUM**, p. 149.]

INSTITA (*περιπόδιον*), a flounce; a fillet. The Roman matrons sometimes wore a broad fillet with ample folds, sewed to the bottom of the tunic and reaching to the instep. The use of it indicated a superior regard to decency and propriety of manners.

INSULA, was, properly, a house not joined to the neighbouring houses by a common wall. An *insula*, however, generally contained several separate houses, or at least separate apartments or shops, which were let to different families; and hence the word *domus* under the emperors seems to be applied to the house where a family lived, whether it were an *insula* or not, and *insula* to any hired lodgings.

INTERCESSIO was the interference of a magistratus to whom an appeal [**APPELLATIO**]

was made. The object of the *intercessio* was to put a stop to proceedings, on the ground of informality or other sufficient cause. Any magistratus might *intercedere*, who was of equal rank with or of rank superior to the magistratus from or against whom the appellatio was. Cases occur in which one of the praetors interposed (*intercessit*) against the proceedings of his colleague. The *intercessio* is most frequently spoken of with reference to the tribunes, who originally had not jurisdiction, but used the *intercessio* for the purpose of preventing wrong which was offered to a person in their presence. The *intercessio* of the tribunes of the plebs was *auxilium*, and it might be exercised either *in jure* or *in judicio*. The tribune *qui intercessit* could prevent a *judicium* from being instituted. The tribunes could only use the *intercessio* to prevent execution of a judicial sentence. A single tribune could effect this, and against the opinion of his colleagues.

INTERCISI DIES. [DIES.]

INTERDICTUM. "In certain cases (*certis ex causis*) the praetor or proconsul, in the first instance (*principaliter*), exercises his authority for the termination of disputes. This he chiefly does when the dispute is about possession or quasi-possession; and the exercise of his authority consists in ordering something to be done, or forbidding something to be done. The formulae and the terms which he uses on such occasions, are called either *interdicta* or *decreta*. They are called *decreta* when he orders something to be done, as when he orders something to be produced (*exhiberi*) or to be restored: they are called *interdicta* when he forbids something to be done, as when he orders that force shall not be used against a person who is in possession rightfully (*sine vitio*), or that nothing shall be done on a piece of sacred ground. Accordingly all *interdicta* are either *restitutoria*, or *exhibitoria*, or *prohibitoria*."

This passage, which is taken from Gaius, the Roman jurist, contains the essential distinction between an *actio* and an *interdictum*. In the case of an *actio*, the praetor pronounces no order or decree, but he gives a *judex*, whose business it is to investigate the matter in dispute, and to pronounce a sentence consistently with the formula, which is his authority for acting. In the case of an *actio*, therefore, the praetor neither orders nor forbids a thing to be done, but he says, *Judicium dabo*. In the case of an *interdict*, the praetor makes an order that something shall be done or shall not be done, and his words are accordingly words of command; *Restituas, Exhibeas, Vim fieri veto*. "is immediate interposition of the praetor is

appropriately expressed by the word *principaliter*.

INTEREST OF MONEY. [FENUS.]

INTERPRES, an interpreter. This class of persons became very numerous and necessary to the Romans as their empire extended. In large mercantile towns the interpreters, who formed a kind of agent through whom business was done, were sometimes very numerous.

All Roman praetors, proconsuls, and quaestors who were entrusted with the administration of a province, had to carry on all their official proceedings in the Latin language, and as they could not be expected to be acquainted with the language of the provincials, they had always among their servants [APPARITORES] one or more interpreters, who were generally Romans, but in most cases undoubtedly freedmen. These interpreters had not only to officiate at the *conventus* [CONVENTUS], but also explained to the Roman governor everything which the provincials might wish to be laid before him.

INTERREGNUM. [INTERREX.]

INTERREX. This office is said to have been instituted on the death of Romulus, when the senate wished to share the sovereign power among themselves, instead of electing a king. For this purpose, according to Livy, the senate, which then consisted of one hundred members, was divided into ten decuries; and from each of these decuries one senator was nominated. These together formed a board of ten, with the title of *Interreges*, each of whom enjoyed in succession the regal power and its badges for five days; and if no king was appointed at the expiration of fifty days, the rotation began anew. The period during which they exercised their power was called an *Interregnum*. These ten *interreges* were the *Decem Primi*, or ten leading senators, of whom the first was chief of the whole senate.

The *interreges* agreed among themselves who should be proposed as king, and if the senate approved of their choice, they summoned the assembly of the *curiae*, and proposed the person whom they had previously agreed upon; the power of the *curiae* was confined to accepting or rejecting him.

Interreges were appointed under the republic for holding the *comitia* for the election of the consuls, when the consuls, through civil commotions or other causes, had been unable to do so in their year of office. Each held the office for only five days, as under the kings. The *comitia* were hardly ever held by the first *interrex*; more usually by the second or third; but in one instance we read of an eleventh,

and in another of a fourteenth interrex. The interreges under the republic, at least from B. C. 482, were elected by the senate from the whole body, and were not confined to the decem primi or ten chief senators, as under the kings. Plebeians, however, were not admissible to this office; and consequently, when plebeians were admitted into the senate, the patrician senators met without the plebeian members to elect an interrex. For this reason, as well as on account of the influence which the interrex exerted in the election of the magistrates, we find that the tribunes of the plebs were strongly opposed to the appointment of an interrex. The interrex had jurisdiction.

Interreges continued to be appointed occasionally till the time of the second Punic war, but after that time we read of no interrex, till the senate, by command of Sulla, created an interrex to hold the comitia for his election as dictator, B. C. 82. In B. C. 55 another interrex was appointed, to hold the comitia in which Pompey and Crassus were elected consuls; and we also read of interreges in B. C. 53 and 52, in the latter of which years an interrex held the comitia in which Pompey was appointed sole consul.

ISTHμία (Ἰσθμία), the Isthmian games, one of the four great national festivals of the Greeks. This festival derived its name from the Corinthian isthmus, where it was held. Subsequent to the age of Theseus the Isthmia were celebrated in honour of Neptune; and this innovation is ascribed to Theseus himself. The celebration of the Isthmia was conducted by the Corinthians, but Theseus had reserved for his Athenians some honourable distinctions: those Athenians who attended the Isthmia sailed across the Saronic gulf in a sacred vessel (θεωρίς), and an honorary place (προεδρία), as large as the sail of their vessel, was assigned to them during the celebration of the games. In times of war between the two states a sacred truce was concluded, and the Athenians were invited to attend at the solemnities. These games were celebrated regularly every other year, in the first and third years of each Olympiad. After the fall of Corinth, in 146 B. C., the Sicyonians were honoured with the privilege of conducting the Isthmian games; but when the town of Corinth was rebuilt by Julius Caesar, the right of conducting the solemnities was restored to the Corinthians.

The season of the Isthmian solemnities was, like that of all the great national festivals, distinguished by general rejoicings and feasting. The contests and games of the Isthmia were the same as those at Olympia,

and embraced all the varieties of athletic performances, such as wrestling, the pancratiun, together with horse and chariot racing. Musical and poetical contests were likewise carried on, and in the latter women were also allowed to take part.

The prize of a victor in the Isthmian games consisted at first of a garland of pine-leaves, and afterwards of a wreath of ivy. Simple as such a reward was, a victor in these games gained the greatest distinction and honour among his countrymen; and a victory not only rendered the individual who obtained it a subject of admiration, but shed lustre over his family, and the whole town or community to which he belonged. Hence Solon established by a law, that every Athenian who gained the victory at the Isthmian games should receive from the public treasury a reward of one hundred drachmæ. His victory was generally celebrated in lofty odes, called Epinikia, or triumphal odes, of which we still possess some beautiful specimens among the poems of Pindar.

JUDEX, JUDICIUM. A Roman magistratus generally did not investigate the facts in dispute in such matters as were brought before him: he appointed a judex for that purpose, and gave him instructions. [ACTIO.] Accordingly, the whole of civil procedure was expressed by the two phrases *Jus* and *Judicium*, of which the former comprehended all that took place before the magistratus (*in jure*), and the latter all that took place before the judex (*in judicio*).

In many cases a single judex was appointed: in others, several were appointed, and they seem to have been sometimes called recuperatores, as opposed to the single judex. Under certain circumstances the judex was called arbiter: thus judex and arbiter are named together in the Twelve Tables.

A judex when appointed was bound to discharge the functions of the office, unless he had some valid excuse (*excusatio*). There were certain seasons of the year when legal business was done at Rome, and at these times the services of the judices were required. These legal terms were regulated according to the seasons, so that there were periods of vacation.

When the judex was appointed, the proceedings *in jure* or before the praetor were terminated. The parties appeared before the judex on the third day (*comperendinatio*), unless the praetor had deferred the judicium for some sufficient reason. The judex was generally aided by advisers (*jurisconsulti*) learned in the law, who were said *in consilio adesse*; but the judex alone was empowered to give

judgment. The matter was first briefly stated to the judex (*causae conjunctio, collectio*) and the advocates of each party supported his cause in a speech. Witnesses were produced on both sides, and examined orally: the witnesses on one side were also cross-examined by the other.

After all the evidence was given and the advocates had finished, the judex gave sentence: if there were several judices, a majority decided. If the matter was one of difficulty, the hearing might be adjourned as often as was necessary (*ampliatio*); and if the judex could not come to a satisfactory conclusion, he might declare this upon oath, and so release himself from the difficulty. This was done by the form of words *non liquere* (N. L.). The sentence was pronounced orally, and was sometimes first written on a tablet. If the defendant did not make his appearance after being duly summoned, judgment might be given against him.

According to Cicero, all judicia had for their object, either the settlement of disputes between individuals (*controversiae*), or the punishment of crimes (*maleficia*). This refers to a division of judicia, which appears in the jurists, into *judicia publica* and *judicia privata*. The former, the *judicia publica*, succeeded to the *judicia populi* of the early republican period: the latter were so called because in them the populus acted as judices. Originally the kings presided in all criminal cases, and the consuls succeeded to their authority. But after the passing of the Lex Valeria (B. C. 507), which gave an appeal to the populus (that is, the comitia curiata) from the magistratus, the consul could not sit in judgment on the caput of a Roman citizen, but such cases were tried in the comitia, or persons were appointed to preside at such inquiries, who were accordingly called *Quaestores* or *Quaestores parricidii* or *rerum capitalium*. In course of time, as such cases became of more frequent occurrence, such questiones were made perpetual, that is, particular magistrates were appointed for the purpose. It was eventually determined, that while the *praetor urbanus* and *peregrinus* should continue to exercise their usual jurisdictions, the other praetors should preside at public trials. In such trials any person might be an accuser (*accusator*). The praetor generally presided as quaestor, assisted by a judex quaestionis, and a body of judices called his consilium. The judices were generally chosen by lot out of those who were qualified to act; but in some cases the accuser and the accused (*reus*) had the privilege of choosing (*edere*) a certain number of judices out of a large number, who

were thence called *Edititii*. Both the accuser and the reus had the privilege of rejecting or challenging (*rejicere*) such judices as they did not like. In many cases a lex was passed for the purpose of regulating the mode of procedure.

The judices voted by ballot, at least generally, and a majority determined the acquittal or condemnation of the accused. Each judex was provided with three tablets (*tabulae*), on one of which was marked A, *Absolvo*; on a second C, *Condemno*; and on a third N. L., *Non liquet*. The judices voted by placing one of these tablets in the urns, which were then examined for the purpose of ascertaining the votes. It was the duty of the magistratus to pronounce the sentence of the judices; in the case of condemnation, to adjudge the legal penalty; of acquittal, to declare him acquitted; and of doubt, to declare that the matter must be farther investigated (*amplius cognoscendum*).

A *judicium populi*, properly so called, was one in which the case was tried in the comitia curiata, but afterwards in the comitia centuriata and tributa. The accuser had to be a magistratus, who commenced it by declaring in a contio that he would on a certain day accuse a certain person, whom he named, of some offence, which he also specified. This was expressed by the phrase *diem dicere*. If the offender held any high office, it was necessary to wait till his time of service had expired, before proceedings could be thus commenced against him. The accused was required to give security for his appearance on the day of trial; the security was called *vades* in a causa capitalis, and *praedes* when the penalty for the alleged offence was pecuniary. If such security was not given, the accused was kept in confinement. If nothing prevented the inquiry from taking place at the time fixed for it, the trial proceeded, and the accuser had to prove his case by evidence. The investigation of the facts was called *anquisitio* with reference to the proposed penalty: accordingly, the phrases *pecunia, capite* or *capitis anquirere*, are used. When the investigation was concluded, the magistratus promulgated a rogatio, which comprehended the charge and the punishment or fine. It was a rule of law that a fine should not be imposed together with another punishment in the same rogatio. The rogatio was made public during three *nundinae*, like any other lex, and proposed at the comitia for adoption or rejection. The accused sometimes withdrew into exile before the votes were taken; or he might make his defence.

The offences which were the chief subject

of *judicia populi* and *publica* were *majestas*, *adulteria* and *stupra*, *parricidium*, *falsum*, *vis publica* and *privata*, *peculatus*, *repetundae*, *ambitus*.

With the passing of special enactments for the punishment of particular offences, was introduced the practice of forming a body of *judices* for the trial of such offences as the enactments were directed against. The *Album Judicum* was the body out of which *judices* were to be chosen. It is not known what was the number of the body so constituted, but it has been conjectured that the number was 350, and that ten were chosen from each tribe, and thus the origin of the phrase *Decuriae Judicum* is explained. It is easy to conceive that the *judicia populi*, properly so called, would be less frequent, as special *leges* were framed for particular offences, the circumstances of which could be better investigated by a smaller body of *judices* than by the assembled people. The *Lex Servilia* (B. C. 104) enacted that the *judices* should not be under thirty nor above sixty years of age, that the accuser and accused should severally propose one hundred *judices*, and that each might reject fifty from the list of the other, so that one hundred would remain for the trial. Up to B. C. 122, the *judices* were always senators, but in this year the *Sempronia Lex* of C. Gracchus took the *judicia* from the senators and gave them to the *equites*. This state of things lasted nearly fifty years, till Sulla (B. C. 80) restored the *judicia* to the senate, and excluded the *equites* from the *album judicum*. A *Lex Aurelia* (B. C. 70) enacted that the *judices* should be chosen from the three classes—of senators, *equites*, and *tribuni aerarii*; and accordingly the *judicia* were then said to be divided between the senate and the *equites*. The *tribuni aerarii* were taken from the rest of the citizens, and were, or ought to have been, persons of some property. Thus the three *decuriae* of *judices* were formed; and it was either in consequence of the *Lex Aurelia* or some other *lex*, that, instead of one urn for all the tablets, the *decuriae* had severally their balloting urn, so that the votes of the three classes were known. It is not known if the *Lex Aurelia* determined the number of *judices* in any given case. The *Lex Pompeia* de Vi, and *De Ambitu* (B. C. 52) determined that eighty *judices* were to be selected by lot, out of whom the accuser and the accused might reject thirty. In the case of Clodius, in the matter of the *Bona Dea*, there were fifty-six *judices*. It is conjectured that the number fixed for a given case, by the *Lex Aurelia*, was seventy *judices*.

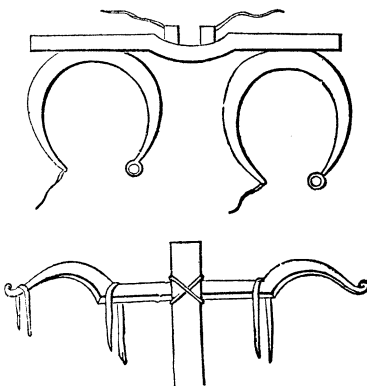
Augustus added to the existing three *decuriae judicum* a fourth *decuria*, called that of

the *Ducenarii*, who had a lower pecuniary qualification, and only decided in smaller matters. Caligula added a fifth *decuria*, in order to diminish the labours of the *judices*.

JUDGES, Greek [ΔΙΚΑΣΤΕΣ], Roman [JUDEX.]

JUGERUM, a Roman measure of surface, 240 feet in length and 120 in breadth, containing therefore 28,800 square feet. It was the double of the *Actus Quadratus*, and from this circumstance, according to some writers, it derived its name. [ACTUS.] The uncial division [As] was applied to the *jugerum*, its smallest part being the *scrupulum* of 10 feet square, = 100 square feet. Thus the *jugerum* contained 288 *scrupula*. The *jugerum* was the common measure of land among the Romans. Two *jugera* formed an *heredium*, a hundred *heredia* a *centuria*, and four *centuriae* a *sal tus*. These divisions were derived from the original assignment of landed property in which two *jugera* were given to each citizen as heritable property.

JUGUM (ζυγός, ζυγόν), signified in general that which joined two things together, such as the transverse beam which united the upright posts of a loom, the cross-bar of a lyre, a scale-beam, &c., but it denoted more especially the yoke by which ploughs and carriages were drawn. The following woodcut shows two examples of the yoke: the upper one is provided with two collars, the lower one with excavations cut in the yoke, in order to give more ease and freedom to the animals. The latter figure shows the method of tying the yoke to the pole (*temo*, ῥυμός) by means of a leathern strap.



Jugum, Yoke.

The word *jugum* is often used to signify slavery, or the condition in which men are compelled, against their will, like oxen or horses, to labour for others. Hence, to express symbolically the subjugation of conquered nations, the Romans made their captives pass under a yoke (*sub jugum mittere*), which, however, was not made like the yoke used in drawing carriages or ploughs, but consisted of a spear supported transversely by two others placed upright.

JURIS DICTIO, signifies generally the authority of the magistrate "qui jus dicit," and is mostly applied to the authority of the prætor in civil cases, such as the giving of the formula in an actio and the appointment of a judex. [ACTIO.]

JUS. The law peculiar to the Roman state is sometimes called *Jus Civile Romanorum*, but more frequently *Jus Civile* only. The *Jus Quiritium* is equivalent to the *Jus Civile Romanorum*. The *jus civile* of the Romans is divisible into two parts, *jus civile* in the narrower sense, and *jus pontificium*, or the law of religion. This opposition is sometimes expressed by the words *Jus* and *Fas*. The law of religion, or the *Jus Pontificium*, was under the control of the pontifices, who in fact originally had the control of the whole mass of the law; and it was only after the separation of the *jus civile* into its wider sense into the two parts of the *jus civile*, in its narrower sense, and the *jus pontificium*, that each part had its proper and peculiar limits. Still, even after the separation, there was a mutual relation between these two branches of law; for instance, an adrogatio was not valid by the *jus civile* unless it was valid by the *jus pontificium*. Again, *jus pontificium*, in its wider sense, as the law of religion, had its subdivisions, as into *jus augurum*, *pontificum*, &c.

JUS CIVILE. [Jus.]

JUS LATI. [CIVITAS; LATINITAS.]

JUS PONTIFICIUM. [Jus.]

JUS QUIRITIUM. [Jus.]

JUSTITIUM. [FONUS, p. 164.]

K. SEE C.

L.

LABARUM. [SIGNA MILITARIA.]

LACERNA (*μανδύας, μανδύη*), a cloak worn by the Romans over the toga. It differed from the paenula in being an open garment like the Greek pallium, and fastened on the right shoulder by means of a buckle (*fibula*), whereas the paenula was what is called a *vestimentum clausum* with an opening for the

LAMPADEPHORIA.

head. The Lacerna appears to have been commonly used in the army. In the time of Cicero it was not usually worn in the city, but it soon afterwards became quite common at Rome.

The lacerna was sometimes thrown over the head for the purpose of concealment; but a *cucullus* or cowl was generally used for that purpose, which appears to have been frequently attached to the lacerna, and to have formed a part of the dress.

LACINIAE, the angular extremities of the toga, one of which was brought round over the left shoulder. It was generally tucked into the girdle, but sometimes was allowed to hang down loose.

LACONICUM. [BALNEUM, p. 49.]

LACUNAR. [DOMUS, p. 127.]

LAENA (*χλαίνα*), a woollen cloak, the cloth of which was twice the ordinary thickness, shaggy upon both sides, and worn over the pallium or the toga for the sake of warmth.

In later times the laena seems, to a certain extent, to have been worn as a substitute for the toga.

LAMPADEPHORIA (*λαμπαδηφορία*), torch-bearing, LAMPAEDROMIA (*λαμπαδρόμια*), torch-race, and often simply LAMPAS (*λαμπάς*), was a game common throughout Greece.

At Athens we know of five celebrations of this game: one to Prometheus at the Prometheia, a second to Minerva at the Panathenaea, a third to Vulcan at the Hephaestea, a fourth to Pan, and a fifth to the Thracian Diana or Bendis. The three former are of unknown antiquity; the fourth was introduced soon after the battle of Marathon; the last in the time of Socrates.

The race was usually run on foot, horses being first used in the time of Socrates: sometimes also at night. The preparation for it was a principal branch of the *Gymnasiarchia*, so much so indeed in later times, that *Lampadarchia* (*λαμπαδαρχία*), seems to have been pretty much equivalent to the *Gymnasiarchia*. The gymnasiarch had to provide the lampas, which was a candlestick with a kind of shield set at the bottom of the socket, so as to shelter the flame of the candle; as is seen in the following woodcut, taken from a coin. He had also to provide for the training of the runners, which was of no slight consequence, for the race was evidently a severe one, with other expenses, which on the whole were very



Lampas.

heavy, so that Isaeus classes this office with the *choregia* and *trierarchia*, and reckons that it had cost him 12 minae.

LAMPAS. [LAMPAEPHORIA.]

LAMPS. [LUCERNA.]

LAN'CEA. [HASTA.]

LANISTA. [GLADIATORES.]

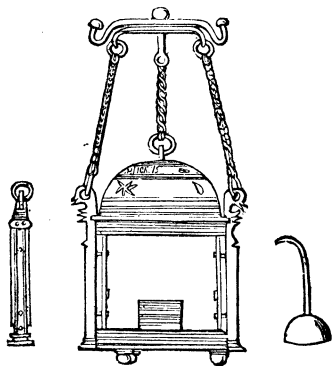
LANX, a large dish, made of silver or some other metal, and sometimes embossed, used at splendid entertainments to hold meat or fruit; and consequently at sacrifices and funeral banquets.

LA'QUEAR. [DOMUS, p. 127.]

LARENTA'LIA, sometimes written LARENTINATIA and LAURENTA'LIA, a Roman festival in honour of Acca Larentia, the wife of Faustulus and the nurse of Romulus and Remus. It was celebrated in December, on the 10th before the calends of January.

LARGITIO. [AMBITUS.]

LATERNA or LANTERNA (*λυνός*, *λυχνόωχος*, in later Greek, *φανός*), a lantern. Two bronze lanterns, constructed with nicety and skill, have been found in the ruins of Herculaneum and Pompeii. One of them is represented in the annexed woodcut. Its



Lanterna.

form is cylindrical. Within is a bronze lamp attached to the centre of the base, and provided with an extinguisher shown on the right hand of the lantern. The plates are of translucent horn. A front view of one of the two upright pillars is shown on the left hand.

LATICLA'VII. [CLAVUS.]

LATINAE FERIAE. [FERIAE.]

LATINITAS, LATIUM, JUS LATII.

All these expressions are used to signify a certain status intermediate between that of

cives and peregrini. Before the passing of the Lex Julia de Civitate (B. C. 90) the above expressions denoted a certain nationality, and as part of it a certain legal status with reference to Rome; but after the passing of that lex, these expressions denoted only a certain status, and had no reference to any national distinction. About the year B. C. 89, a Lex Pompeia gave the jus Latii to all the Transpadani, and consequently the privilege of obtaining the Roman civitas by having filled a magistratus in their own cities. To denote the status of these Transpadani, the word Latinitas was used, which since the passing of the Lex Julia had lost its proper signification; and this was the origin of that Latinitas which thenceforth existed to the time of Justinian. This new Latinitas or jus Latii was given to whole towns and countries; as, for instance, by Vespasian to the whole of Spain.

It is not certain wherein this new Latinitas differed from that Latinitas which was the characteristic of the Latini before the passing of the Lex Julia. It is, however, clear that all the old Latini had not the same right with respect to Rome; and that they could acquire the civitas on easier terms than those by which the new Latinitas was acquired.

LATRU'NCULI (*πασσοί, ψήφοι*), draughts. The invention of a game resembling draughts was attributed by the Greeks to Palamedes; and it is mentioned by Homer. There were two sets of men, one set being black, the other white or red. Being intended to represent a miniature combat between two armies, they were called soldiers (*militēs*), foes (*hostes*), and marauders (*latrones*, dim. *latrunculi*); also *calculi*, because stones were often employed for the purpose. The Romans often had twelve lines on the draught-board, whence the game so played was called *duodecim scripta*.

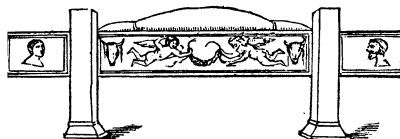
LAUDA'TIO. [FUNUS, p. 162.]

LAURENTA'LIA. [LARENTALIA.]

LAWS. [LEX.]

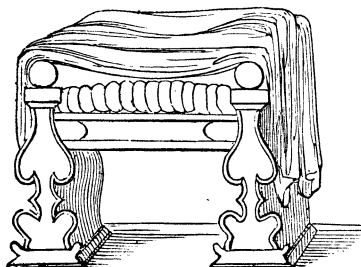
LECTICA (*κλίνη, κλινίδιον, or φορεῖον*), was a kind of couch or litter, in which persons, in a lying position, were carried from one place to another. They were used for carrying the dead [FUNUS] as well as the living. The Greek lectica consisted of a bed or mattress, and a pillow to support the head, placed upon a kind of bedstead or couch. It had a roof, consisting of the skin of an ox, extending over the couch and resting on four posts. The sides of this lectica were covered with curtains. In the republican period it appears to have been chiefly used by women, and by men only when they were in ill health. When this kind of lectica was introduced

among the Romans, it was chiefly used in travelling, and very seldom in Rome itself. But towards the end of the republic, and under the empire, it was commonly used in the city, and was fitted up in the most splendid manner. Instead of curtains, it was frequently closed on the sides with windows made of transparent stone (*lapis specularis*), and was provided with a pillow and bed. When standing, it rested on four feet, generally made of wood. Persons were carried in a lectica by slaves (*lecticarii*), by means of poles (*asserēs*) attached to it, but not fixed, so that they might easily be taken off when necessary. The number of *lecticarii* employed in carrying one lectica varied according to its size, and the display of wealth which a person might wish to make. The ordinary number was probably two; but it varied from two to eight, and the lectica is called *hexaphoron* or *octophoron*, according as it was carried by six or eight persons. The following woodcut represents a lectica. It is taken from the tombstone of M. Antonius Antius.



Lectica.

LECTISTERNIUM. Sacrifices being of the nature of feasts, the Greeks and Romans, on occasion of extraordinary solemnities, placed images of the gods reclining on couches, with tables and viands before them, as if they were really partaking of the things offered in sacrifice. This ceremony was called a *lectisternium*. The woodcut here introduced



Couch.

exhibits a couch employed on one of these occasions. It has a cushion covered by a cloth hanging in ample folds down each side. This beautiful *pulvinar* is wrought altogether in white marble, and is somewhat more than two feet in height.

LECTUS (*λέχος, κλίνη, εἰνή*), a bed. The complete bed (*εἰνή*) of a wealthy Greek in later times generally consisted of the following parts:—*κλίνη, ἐπίτονοι, τυλεῖον* or *κνέφαλον, προσκεφάλειον*, and *στρώματα*.

The *κλίνη* is, properly speaking, merely the bedstead, and seems to have consisted only of posts fitted into one another and resting upon four feet. At the head part alone there was a board (*ἀνάκλιντρον* or *ἐπὶ κλιντρον*) to support the pillow and prevent its falling out. Sometimes, however, the bottom part of a bedstead was likewise protected by a board, so that in this case a Greek bedstead resembled what we call a French bedstead.

The bedstead was provided with girths (*τόνοι, ἐπίτονοι, κειρία*) on which the bed or mattress (*κνέφαλον, τυλεῖον, κοινῶς, or τὴν*) rested. The cover or ticking of a mattress was made of linen or woollen cloth, or of leather, and the usual material with which it was filled was either wool or dried weeds. At the head part of the bed, and supported by the *ἐπὶ κλιντρον*, lay a round pillow (*προσκεφάλειον*) to support the head.

The bed-covers (*στρώματα*) were generally made of cloth, which was very thick and woolly, either on one or on both sides.

The beds of the Romans (*lecti cubiculares*) in the earlier periods of the republic were probably of the same description as those used in Greece; but towards the end of the republic and during the empire, the richness and magnificence of the beds of the wealthy Romans far surpassed everything we find described in Greece. The bedstead was generally rather high, so that persons entered the bed (*scandere, ascendere*) by means of steps placed beside it (*scamnum*). It was sometimes made of metal, and sometimes of costly kinds of wood, or veneered with tortoise shell or ivory; its feet (*fulchra*) were frequently of silver or gold. The bed or mattress (*culcita* and *torus*) rested upon girths or strings (*restes, fasciæ, institæ, or funes*), which connected the two horizontal side-posts of the bed. In beds destined for two persons, the two sides are distinguished by different names; the side at which persons entered was open, and bore the name *sponda*; the other side, which was protected by a board, was called *pluteus*. The two sides of such a bed are also distinguished by the names *torus exterior* and *torus interior*, or *sponda exterior* and *sponda interior*; and from these ex-

pressions it is not improbable that such lecti had two beds or mattresses, one for each person. Mattresses were in the earlier times filled with dry herbs or straw, and such beds continued to be used by the poor. But in subsequent times wool, and, at a still later period, feathers, were used by the wealthy for the beds as well as the pillows. The cloth or ticking (*operimentum* or *involucrum*) with which the beds or mattresses were covered, was called *toral*, *torale*, *linterum*, or *segestre*. The blankets or counterpanes (*vestes stragulae*, *stragula*, *peristromata*, *peripetasmata*) were in the houses of wealthy Romans of the most costly description, and generally of a purple colour, and embroidered with beautiful figures in gold. Covers of this sort were called *peripetasmata Attalica*, because they were said to have been first used at the court of Attalus. The pillows were likewise covered with magnificent casings.

The *lectus genialis* or *adversus* was the bridal bed, which stood in the atrium, opposite the janua, whence it derived the epithet *adversus*. It was generally high, with steps by its side, and in later times beautifully adorned.

Respecting the *lectus funebris* see FUNUS, p. 161. An account of the disposition of the couches used at entertainments is given under TRICLINIUM.

LEGATIO LIBERA. [LEGATUS, p. 188.]

LEGATUS, from *lego*, a person commissioned or deputed to do certain things. They may be divided into three classes:—1. Legati or ambassadors sent to Rome by foreign nations; 2. Legati or ambassadors sent from Rome to foreign nations and into the provinces; 3. Legati who accompanied the Roman generals into the field, or the proconsuls and praetors into the provinces.

1. Foreign legati at Rome, from whatever country they came, had to go to the temple of Saturn, and deposit their names with the quaestors. Previous to their admission into the city, foreign ambassadors seem to have been obliged to give notice from what nation they came and for what purpose; for several instances are mentioned, in which ambassadors were prohibited from entering the city, especially in case of a war between Rome and the state from which they came. In such cases the ambassadors were either not heard at all, and obliged to quit Italy, or an audience was given to them by the senate (*senatus legatis datur*) outside the city, in the temple of Bellona. This was evidently a sign of mistrust, but the ambassadors were nevertheless treated as public guests, and some public villa outside the city was sometimes assigned for their reception. In other cases, however, as

soon as the report of the landing of foreign ambassadors on the coast of Italy was brought to Rome, especially if they were persons of great distinction, or if they came from an ally of the Roman people, some one of the inferior magistrates, or a legatus of a consul, was despatched by the senate to receive, and conduct them to the city at the expense of the republic. When they were introduced into the senate by the praetor or consul, they first explained what they had to communicate, and then the praetor invited the senators to put their questions to the ambassadors. The whole transaction was carried on by interpreters, and in the Latin language. [INTERPRES.] After the ambassadors had thus been examined, they were requested to leave the assembly of the senate, who now began to discuss the subject brought before them. The result was communicated to the ambassadors by the praetor. In some cases ambassadors not only received rich presents on their departure, but were at the command of the senate conducted by a magistrate, and at the public expense, to the frontier of Italy, and even farther. By the Lex Gabinia it was decreed, that from the 1st of February to the 1st of March, the senate should every day give audience to foreign ambassadors. There was a place on the right-hand side of the senate-house, called Graecostasis, in which foreign ambassadors waited.

All ambassadors, whencesoever they came, were considered by the Romans throughout the whole period of their existence as sacred and inviolable.

2. Legati to foreign nations in the name of the Roman republic were always sent by the senate; and to be appointed to such a mission was considered a great honour, which was conferred only on men of high rank or eminence: for a Roman ambassador had the powers of a magistrate and the venerable character of a priest. If a Roman during the performance of his mission as ambassador died or was killed, his memory was honored by the republic with a public sepulchre and a statue in the Rostra. The expenses during the journey of an ambassador were, of course, paid by the republic; and when he travelled through a province, the provincials had to supply him with everything he wanted.

3. The third class of legati, to whom the name of ambassadors cannot be applied, were persons who accompanied the Roman generals on their expeditions, and in later times the governors of provinces also. They are mentioned at a very early period as serving along with the tribunes, under the consuls. They were nominated (*legabantur*) by the consul or

the dictator under whom they served, but the sanction of the senate was an essential point, without which no one could be legally considered a legatus. The persons appointed to this office were usually men of great military talents, and it was their duty to advise and assist their superior in all his undertakings, and to act in his stead both in civil and military affairs. The legati were thus always men in whom the consul placed great confidence, and were frequently his friends or relations; but they had no power independent of the command of their general. Their number varied according to the greatness or importance of the war, or the extent of the province: three is the smallest number that we know of, but Pompey, when in Asia, had fifteen legati. Whenever the consuls were absent from the army, or when a proconsul left his province, the legati or one of them took his place, and then had the insignia as well as the power of his superior. He was in this case called legatus pro praetore, and hence we sometimes read that a man governed a province as legatus without any mention being made of the proconsul whose vicegerent he was. During the latter period of the republic, it sometimes happened that a consul carried on a war, or a proconsul governed his province, through his legati, while he himself remained at Rome, or conducted some other more urgent affairs.

When the provinces were divided at the time of the empire [PROVINCIA], those of the Roman people were governed by men who had been either consuls or praetors, and the former were always accompanied by three legati, the latter by one. The provinces of the emperor, who was himself the proconsul, were governed by persons whom the emperor himself appointed, and who had been consuls or praetors, or were at least senators. These vicegerents of the emperor were called *legati augusti pro praetore*, *legati praetorii*, *legati consulares*, or simply *legati*, and they, like the governors of the provinces of the Roman people, had one or three legati as their assistants.

During the latter period of the republic it had become customary for senators to obtain from the senate the permission to travel through or stay in any province at the expense of the provincials, merely for the purpose of managing and conducting their own personal affairs. There was no restraint as to the length of time the senators were allowed to avail themselves of this privilege, which was a heavy burden upon the provincials. This mode of sojourning in a province was called *legatio libera*, because those who availed themselves of it enjoyed all the privileges of

a public legatus or ambassador, without having any of his duties to perform. At the time of Cicero the privilege of *legatio libera* was abused to a very great extent. Cicero, therefore, in his consulship (B. C. 63) endeavoured to put an end to it, but, owing to the opposition of a tribune, he only succeeded in limiting the time of its duration to one year. Julius Caesar afterwards extended the time during which a senator might avail himself of the *legatio libera* to five years.

LE'GÍO. [EXERCITUS.]

LEITURGIA (*λειτουργία*, from *λείτον*, Ion. *λήιτον*, i. e. *δημόσιον*, or, according to others, *πρυτανεῖον*), a liturgy, is the name of certain personal services which at Athens, every citizen, who possessed a certain amount of property, had to perform towards the state. These personal services, which in all cases were connected with considerable expenses, were at first a natural consequence of the greater political privileges enjoyed by the wealthy, who, in return, had also to perform heavier duties towards the republic; but when the Athenian democracy was at its height, the original character of these liturgies became changed, for, as every citizen now enjoyed the same rights and privileges as the wealthiest, they were simply a tax upon property connected with personal labour and exertion.

All liturgies may be divided into two classes, 1. ordinary or encyclic liturgies (*ἐγκύκλιοι λειτουργίαι*), and 2. extraordinary liturgies. The former were called encyclic because they recurred every year at certain festive seasons, and comprised the *Choregia*, *Gymnasiarchia*, *Lampadarchia*, *Architheoria*, and *Hestiasis*. Every Athenian who possessed three talents and above, was subject to them, and they were undertaken in turns by the members of every tribe, who possessed the property qualification just mentioned, unless some one volunteered to undertake a liturgy for another person. But the law did not allow any one to be compelled to undertake more than one liturgy at a time, and he who had in one year performed a liturgy, was free for the next, so that legally a person had to perform a liturgy only every other year. Those whose turn it was to undertake any of the ordinary liturgies, were always appointed by their own tribe.

The persons who were exempt from all kinds of liturgies were the nine archons, heiresses, and orphans until after the commencement of the second year of their coming of age. Sometimes the exemption from liturgies (*ἀτελεία*), was granted to persons for especial merits towards the republic.

The only kind of extraordinary liturgy to which the name is properly applied, is the *trierarchia* (τριεραρχία); in the earlier times, however, the service in the armies was in reality no more than an extraordinary liturgy. [See EISPHORA and TRIERARCHIA.] In later times, during and after the Peloponnesian war, when the expenses of a liturgy were found too heavy for one person, we find that in many instances two persons combined to defray its expenses. Such was the case with the choragía and the trierarchy.

LEMURĀLIA or LEMURĪA, a festival for the souls of the departed, which was celebrated at Rome every year in the month of May. It was said to have been instituted by Romulus to appease the spirit of Remus, whom he had slain, and to have been called originally Remuria. It was celebrated at night and in silence, and during three alternate days, that is, on the ninth, eleventh, and thirteenth of May. During this season the temples of the gods were closed, and it was thought unlucky for women to marry at this time and during the whole month of May, and those who ventured to marry were believed to die soon after, whence the proverb, *mensē Maio malae nubent*. Those who celebrated the Lemuralia walked barefooted, washed their hands three times, and threw black beans nine times behind their backs, believing by this ceremony to secure themselves against the Lemures. As regards the solemnities on each of the three days, we only know that on the second there were games in the circus in honour of Mars, and that on the third day the images of the thirty Argei, made of rushes, were thrown from the Pons Sublicius into the Tiber by the Vestal virgins. [ARGEI.] On the same day there was a festival of the merchants, probably because on this day the temple of Mercury had been dedicated in the year 495 B. C.

LENĀEA. [DIONYSIA.]

LEX. Of Roman leges, viewed with reference to the mode of enactment, there were properly two kinds, *Leges Curiatae* and *Leges Centuriatae*. Plebiscita are improperly called leges, though they were laws, and in the course of time had the same effect as leges. [PLEBISCITUM.]

Originally the leges curiatae were the only leges, and they were passed by the populus in the comitia curiata. After the establishment of the comitia centuriata, the comitia curiata fell almost into disuse; but so long as the republic lasted, and even under Augustus, a shadow of the old constitution was preserved in the formal conferring of the imperium by a lex curiata only, and in the cere-

mony of adrogation being effected only in these comitia. [ADROGATIO.]

Those leges, properly so called, with which we are acquainted, were passed in the comitia centuriata, and were proposed (*rogabantur*) by a magistratus of senatorial rank, after the senate had approved of them by a decretum. Such a lex was also designated by the name *Populi Scitum*.

The word *rogatio* (from the verb *rogo*) properly means any measure proposed to the legislative body, and therefore is equally applicable to a proposed lex and a proposed plebiscitum. It corresponds to our word *bill*, as opposed to *act*. When the measure was passed, it became a lex or plebiscitum; though rogations, after they had become laws, were sometimes, though improperly, called rogationes. A rogatio began with the words *velitis, jubeatis*, &c., and ended with the words *ita vos Quirites rogo*. The corresponding expression of assent to the rogatio on the part of the sovereign assembly was *uti rogas*. The phrases for proposing a law are *rogare legem, legem ferre*, and *rogationem promulgare*; the phrase *rogationem accipere* applies to the enacting body. The terms relating to legislation are thus explained by Ulpian the jurist—"A lex is said either *rogari* or *ferri*; it is said *abrogari*, when it is repealed; it is said *derogari* when a part is repealed; it is said *subrogari*, when some addition is made to it; and it is said *abrogari*, when some part of it is changed."

A *privilegium* is an enactment that had for its object a single person, which is indicated by the form of the word (*privilegium*) *privae res*, being the same as *singulae res*. The word *privilegium* did not convey any notion of the character of the legislative measures; it might be beneficial to the party to whom it referred, or it might not. Under the empire, the word is used in the sense of a special grant proceeding from the imperial favour.

The title of a lex was generally derived from the gentile name of the magistratus who proposed it, as the *Lex Hortensia* from the dictator Hortensius. Sometimes the lex took its name from the two consuls or other magistratus, as the *Acilia Calpurnia*, *Aelia*, or *Aelia Sentia*, *Papia* or *Papia Poppaea*, and others. It seems to have been the fashion to omit the word *et* between the two names, though instances occur in which it was used. A lex was also designated, with reference to its object, as the *Lex Cincia de Donis et Muneribus*, *Lex Furia Testamentaria*, *Lex Julia Municipalis*, and many others. Leges which related to a common object, were often designated by a collective name, as *Leges Agrariae*, *Judiciae*, and others. A lex sometimes took its name

from the chief contents of its first chapter, as *Lex Julia de Maritandis Ordinibus*. Sometimes a lex comprised very various provisions, relating to matters essentially different, and in that case it was called *Lex Satura*.

The number of leges was greatly increased in the later part of the republican period, and Julius Caesar is said to have contemplated a revision of the whole body. Under him and Augustus numerous enactments were passed, which are known under the general name of *Juliae Leges*. It is often stated that no leges, properly so called, or plebiscita, were passed after the time of Augustus; but this is a mistake. Though the voting might be a mere form, still the form was kept. Besides, various leges are mentioned as having been passed under the empire, such as the *Lex Junia* under Tiberius, the *Lex Visellia*, the *Lex Mamilia* under Caligula, and a *Lex Claudia* on the tutela of women. It does not appear when the ancient forms of legislation were laid aside.

A particular enactment is always referred to by its name. The following is a list of the principal leges, properly so called; but the list includes also various plebiscita and privilegia:—

ACILIA. [REPETUNDÆ.]

ACILIA CALPURNIA or CALPURNIA. [AMBITUS.]

AEBUTIA, of uncertain date, which with two *Juliae Leges* put an end to the *Leges Actiones*, except in certain cases.

This or another lex of the same name, prohibited the proposer of a lex, which created any office or power (*curatio ac potestas*), from having such office or power, and even excluded his collegae, cognati, and affines.

AE'LIA. This lex and a *Fufia Lex* passed about the end of the sixth century of the city, gave to all the magistrates the *obnunciatio*, or power of preventing or dissolving the comitia, by observing the omens and declaring them to be unfavourable.

AE'LIA SENT'IA, passed in the time of Augustus (about A. D. 3). This lex contained various provisions as to the manumission of slaves.

AEMI'LIA. A lex passed in the dictatorship of Mamerus Aemilius (B. C. 433), by which the censors were elected for a year and a half, instead of a whole lustrum. After this lex they had accordingly only a year and a half allowed them for holding the census and letting out the public works to farm.

AEMI'LIA BAE'BIA. [CORNELIA BAE'BIA.]

AEMI'LIA. [LEGES SUMTUARIAE.]

AGRA'RIAE, the name of laws which had

relation to the *ager publicus*. [AGER PUBLICUS.] The most important of these are mentioned under the names of their proposers. [APPULEIA; CASSIA; CORNELIA; FLAMINIA; FLAVIA; JULIA; LICINIA; SEMPRONIA; SERVILIA; THORIA.]

AMBITUS. [AMBITUS.]

ANNA'LIS or VILLIA, proposed by L. Villius Tapulus in B. C. 179, fixed the age at which a Roman citizen might become a candidate for the higher magistracies. It appears that until this law was passed, any office might be enjoyed by a citizen after completing his twenty-seventh year. The *Lex Annalis* fixed 31 as the age for the quaestorship, 37 for the aedileship, 40 for the praetorship, and 43 for the consulship.

ANTIA. [SUMTUARIAE LEGES.]

ANTONIAE, the name of various enactments proposed or passed by the influence of M. Antonius, after the death of the dictator J. Caesar.

APPULE'IA AGRA'RIA, proposed by the tribune L. Appuleius Saturninus, B. C. 101.

APPULE'IA FRUMENTA'RIA, proposed about the same time by the same tribune.

APPULE'IA MAJESTA'TIS. [MAJESTAS.]

ATER'NIA TARPE'IA, B. C. 441. This lex empowered all magistrates to fine persons who resisted their authority; but it fixed the highest fine at two sheep and thirty cows, or two cows and thirty sheep, for the authorities vary in this.

ATIA DE SACERDOTIIS (B. C. 63), proposed by the tribune T. Atius Labienus, repealed the *Lex Cornelia de Sacerdotiis*.

ATI'NIA, of uncertain date, was a plebiscitum which gave the rank of senator to a tribune. This measure probably originated with C. Atinius, who was tribune B. C. 130.

AUFIDIA. [AMBITUS.]

AURE'LIA (B. C. 70), enacted that the judges should be chosen from the senators, equites, and tribuni aerarii. [JUDex, p. 183.]

BAE'BIA (B. C. 192 or 180), enacted that four praetors and six praetors should be chosen alternately; but the law was not observed.

CAECILIA DE CENSORIBUS or CENSORIA (B. C. 54), proposed by Metellus Scipio, repealed a *Clodia Lex* (B. C. 58), which had prescribed certain regular forms of proceeding for the censors in exercising their functions as inspectors of mores, and had required the concurrence of both censors to inflict the *nota censoria*. When a senator had been already convicted before an ordinary court, the lex permitted the censors to remove him from the senate in a summary way.

CAECILIA DE VECTIGALIBUS (B. C. 62), released lands and harbours in Italy from the payment of taxes and dues (*portoria*). The only vectigal remaining after the passing of this lex was the Vicesima.

CAECILIA DIDIA (B. C. 98) forbade the proposing of a Lex Satura, on the ground that the people might be compelled either to vote for something which they did not approve, or to reject something which they did approve, if it was proposed to them in this manner. This lex was not always operative.

CAELIA. [TABELLARIAE LEGES.]

CALPURNIA DE AMBITU. [AMBITUS.]

CALPURNIA DE REPETUNDIS. [REPETUNDÆ.]

CANULEIA (B. C. 445) established conubium between the patres and plebs, which had been taken away by the law of the Twelve Tables.

CA'SSIA (B. C. 104), proposed by the tribune L. Cassius Longinus, did not allow a person to remain a senator who had been convicted in a *judicium populi*, or whose imperium had been abrogated by the *populus*.

CA'SSIA empowered the dictator Caesar to add to the number of the *patricii*, to prevent their extinction.

CASSIA AGRARIA, proposed by the consul Sp. Cassius, B. C. 486. This is said to have been the first agrarian law. It enacted that of the land taken from the Hernicans, half should be given to the Latins, and half to the plebs, and likewise that part of the public land possessed by the patricians should be distributed among the plebeians. This law met with the most violent opposition, and appears not to have been carried. Cassius was accused of aiming at the sovereignty, and was put to death. [AGER PUBLICUS.]

CA'SSIA TABELLARIA. [LEGES TABELLARIAE.]

CA'SSIA TERE'NTIA FRUMENTARIA (B. C. 73) for the distribution of corn among the poor citizens and the purchasing of it.

CINCIA DE DONIS ET MUNE'RIBUS, a plebiscitum passed in the time of the tribune M. Cincius Alimentus (B. C. 204). It forbade a person to take anything for his pains in pleading a cause. In the time of Augustus, the Lex Cincia was confirmed by a *senatus-consultum*, and a penalty of four times the sum received was imposed on the advocate. The law was so far modified in the time of Claudius, that an advocate was allowed to receive ten *sestertia*; if he took any sum beyond that, he was liable to be prosecuted for *repetundæ*. It appears that this permission

was so far restricted in Trajan's time, that the fee could not be paid till the work was done.

CLO'DIAE, the name of various plebiscita, proposed by Clodius, when tribune, B. C. 59.

CLODIA DE AUSPICIIIS prevented the magis tratus from dissolving the *comitia tributa*, by declaring that the auspices were unfavourable. This lex therefore repealed the Aelia and Fufia. It also enacted that a lex might be passed on the *dies fasti*. [AELIA LEX.]

CLODIA DE CENSORIBUS. [CAECILIA.]

CLODIA DE CIVIBUS ROMANIS INTEREMPTIS, to the effect that "*qui civem Romanum indemnatum interemisset, ei aqua et igni interdiceretur.*" It was in consequence of this lex that the interdict was pronounced against Cicero, who considers the whole proceeding as a privilege.

CLODIA FRUMENTARIA, by which the corn, which had formerly been sold to the poor citizens at a low rate was given.

CLODIA DE SODALITATIBUS or DE COLLEGIIIS restored the Sodalitia, which had been abolished by a *senatus-consultum* of the year B. C. 80, and permitted the formation of new Sodalitia.

There were other so-called Leges Clodiae, which were however privilege.

CORNE'LIAE. Various leges passed in the dictatorship of Sulla, and by his influence, are so called.

AGRARIA, by which many of the inhabitants of Etruria and Latium were deprived of the complete *civitas*, and retained only the *commercium*, and a large part of their lands were made public, and given to military colonists.

DE FALSIS, against those who forged testaments or other deeds, and against those who adulterated or counterfeited the public coin, whence Cicero calls it *testamentaria* and *nummaria*.

JUDICIARIA. [JUDEX, p. 183.]

MAJESTATIS. [MAJESTAS.]

DE PROSCRIPTIONE ET PROSCRIPTIS. [PROSCRIPTIO.]

DE PARRICIDIO. [PARRICIDA.]

DE SACERDOTIIS. [SACERDOS.]

DE SICARIIS ET VENEFICIS, contained provisions as to death or fire caused by *dolus malus*, and against persons going about armed with the intention of killing or thieving. The law not only provided for cases of poisoning, but contained provisions against those who made, sold, bought, possessed, or gave poison for the purpose of poisoning; also against a magistratus or senator who conspired in order that a person might be condemned in a *judicium publicum*, &c.

UNCIARIA appears to have been a lex which lowered the rate of interest, and to have been passed about the same time with the *Leges Sumptuariae* of Sulla.

There were also *Leges Corneliae*, which were proposed by the tribune C. Cornelius about B. C. 67, and limited the edictal power by compelling the praetors *Jus dicere ex edictis suis perpetuis*.

Another lex of the same tribune enacted that no one *legibus solveretur*, unless such a measure was agreed on in a meeting of the senate at which two hundred members were present, and afterwards approved by the people; and it enacted that no tribune should put his veto on such a *senatus-consultum*.

There was also a *Lex Cornelia* concerning the wills of those Roman citizens who died in captivity (*apud hostes*).

CORNELIA BAE'BIA DE AMBITU, proposed by the consuls P. Cornelius Cethegus and M. Baebius Tamphilus, B. C. 181. This law is sometimes, but erroneously, attributed to the consuls of the preceding year, L. Aemilius and Cn. Baebius. [AMBITUS.]

DIDIA. [LEGES SUMPTUARIAE.]

DOMITI'IA DE SACERDOTIIS. [SACERDOS.]

DUIL'IA (B. C. 449), a plebiscitum proposed by the tribune Duilius, which enacted that whoever left the people without tribunes, or created a magistrate from whom there was no appeal (*provocatio*), should be scourged and beheaded.

DUIL'IA MAE'NIA, proposed by the tribunes Duilius and Maenius (B. C. 357), restored the old uncial rate of interest (*unciarium fenus*), which had been fixed by the Twelve Tables. [FENUS.] The same tribunes carried a measure which was intended, in future, to prevent such unconstitutional proceedings as the enactment of a lex by the soldiers out of Rome, on the proposal of the consul.

FA'BIA DE PLA'GIO. [PLAGIUM.]

FALCI'DIA. [LEX VOCONIA.]

FA'NNIA. [LEGES SUMPTUARIAE.]

FLAMI'NIA was an Agraria Lex for the distribution of lands in Picenum, proposed by the tribune C. Flaminius, in B. C. 228 according to Cicero, or in B. C. 232 according to Polybius. The latter date is the more probable.

FLA'VIA AGRA'RIA, B. C. 60, for the distribution of lands among Pompey's soldiers, proposed by the tribune L. Flavius, who committed the consul Caecilius Metellus to prison for opposing it.

FRUMENTA'RIAE, various leges were so called which had for their object the distribution of grain among the people, either at a low price or gratuitously. [APPULEIA; CASSIA

LEX JULIA.

TERENTIA; CLODIA; LIVIA; OCTAVIA; SEMPRONIA.]

FUFIA DE RELIGIONE, B. C. 61, was a privilegium which related to the trial of Clodius.

FURIA or FUSIA CANINIA limited the number of slaves to be manumitted by testament.

FURIA or FUSIA TESTAMENTARIA, enacted that a testator should not give more than three-fourths of his property in legacies, thus securing one-fourth to the heres.

GABINIA TABELLARIA. [LEGES TABELLARIAE.]

There were various Gabiniae Leges, some of which were privilegia, as that for conferring extraordinary power on Cn. Pompeius for conducting the war against the pirates.

A Gabinia Lex, B. C. 58, forbade all loans of money at Rome to legationes from foreign parts. The object of the lex was to prevent money being borrowed for the purpose of bribing the senators at Rome.

GE'LLIA CORNELIA, B. C. 72, which gave to Cn. Pompeius the extraordinary power of conferring the Roman civitas on Spaniards in Spain, with the advice of his consilium.

GENU'CIA, B. C. 341, forbade altogether the taking of interest for the use of money.

HIERO'NICA was not a lex properly so called. Before the Roman conquest of Sicily, the payment of the tenths of wine, oil, and other produce had been fixed by Hiero; and the Roman quaestors, in letting these tenths to farm, followed the practice which they found established.

HORATIAE ET VALE'RIAE. [LEGES VALERIAE.]

HORTE'NSIA DE PLEBISCITIS. [LEGES PUBLILIAE; PLEBISCITUM.]

Another Lex Hortensia enacted that the *nundinae*, which had hitherto been *feriae*, should be dies fasti. This was done for the purpose of accommodating the inhabitants of the country.

ICI'LIA, B. C. 456, by which the Aventinus was assigned to the plebs. This was the first instance of the *ager publicus* being assigned to the plebs.

Another Lex Icilia, proposed by the tribune Sp. Icilius, B. C. 470, had for its object to prevent all interruption to the tribunes while acting in the discharge of their duties. In some cases the penalty was death.

JU'LIAE. Most of the Juliae Leges were passed in the time of C. Julius Caesar and Augustus.

DE ADULTERIIS. [ADULTERIUM.]

AGRARIA, B. C. 59, in the consulship of Cae-

sar, for distributing the *ager publicus* in Campania among 20,000 poor citizens, who had each three children or more.

DE AMBITU. [AMBITUS.]

DE BONIS CEDENDIS. This lex provided that a debtor might escape all personal molestation from his creditors by giving up his property to them for the purpose of sale and distribution. It is doubtful if this lex was passed in the time of Julius Caesar or of Augustus, though probably of the former.

DE CIVITATE was passed in the consulship of L. Julius Caesar and P. Rutilius Lupus, B. C. 90. [CIVITAS; FOEDERATAE CIVITATES.]

DE FENORE, or rather *De Pecuniis Mutuis* or *Creditis* (B. C. 47), passed in the time of Julius Caesar. The object of it was to make an arrangement between debtors and creditors, for the satisfaction of the latter. The possessions and *res* were to be estimated at the value which they had before the civil war, and to be surrendered to the creditors at that value; whatever had been paid for interest was to be deducted from the principal. The result was, that the creditor lost about one-fourth of his debt; but he escaped the loss usually consequent on civil disturbance, which would have been caused by *novae tabulae*.

JUDICIARIAE. [JUDEX.]

DE LIBERIS LEGATIONIBUS. [LEGATUS.]

DE MAJESTATE. [MAJESTAS.]

MUNICIPALIS, commonly called the Table of Heraclea. In the year 1732 there were found near the Gulf of Tarentum and in the neighbourhood of the city of ancient Heraclea, large fragments of a bronze table, which contained on one side a Roman lex, and on the other a Greek inscription. The whole is now in the Museo Borbonico at Naples. The lex contains various provisions as to the police of the city of Rome, and as to the constitution of communities of Roman citizens (*municipia, coloniae, praefecturae, fora, conciliabula civium Romanorum*). It was accordingly a lex of that kind which is called *Satura*, and was probably passed in B. C. 44.

JULIA ET PAPIA POPPAEA. Augustus appears to have caused a lex to be enacted about B. C. 18, which is cited as the *Lex Julia de Maritandis Ordinibus*, and is referred to in the *Carmen Seculare* of Horace, which was written in the year B. C. 17. The object of this lex was to regulate marriages, as to which it contained numerous provisions; but it appears not to have come into operation till the year B. C. 13. In the year A. D. 9, and in the consulship of M. Papius Mutilus and Q. Poppaeus Secundus (*consules suffecti*), another lex

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was passed as a kind of amendment and supplement to the former lex, and hence arose the title of *Lex Julia et Papia Poppaea*, by which this lex is often quoted. The lex is often variously quoted, according as reference is made to its various provisions; sometimes it is called *Lex Julia*, sometimes *Papia Poppaea*, sometimes *Lex Julia et Papia*, sometimes *Lex de Maritandis Ordinibus*, from the chapter which treated of the marriages of the senators, sometimes *Lex Caducaria, Decimaria, &c.* from the various chapters.

The Lex Julia forbade the marriage of a senator or senator's children with a *libertina*, with a woman whose father or mother had followed an *ars ludicra*, and with a prostitute; and also the marriage of a *libertinus* with a senator's daughter.

In order to promote marriage, various penalties were imposed on those who lived in a state of celibacy (*caelibatus*) after a certain age, and various privileges were given to those who had three or more children.

A candidate for the public offices who had several children was preferred to one who had fewer. After the passing of this lex, it became usual for the senate, and afterwards the emperor (*princeps*), to give occasionally, as a privilege to certain persons who had not children, the same advantage that the lex secured to those who had children. This was called the *Jus Liberorum*, and sometimes the *Jus trium Liberorum*.

DE PROVINCIIS. [PROVINCIAE.]

REPETUNDARUM. [REPETUNDAE.]

SUMTUARIAE. [LEGES SUMTUARIAE.]

THEATRALIS, which permitted Roman equites, in case they or their parents had ever had a census equester, to sit in the fourteen rows (*quatuordecim ordines*) fixed by the *Lex Roscia Theatralis*, B. C. 69.

DE VI PUBLICA AND PRIVATA. [VIS.]

VICESIMARIA. [VICESIMA.]

JUNIA DE PEREGRINIS, proposed B. C. 126, by M. Junius Pennus, a tribune, banished peregrini from the city.

A lex of C. Fannius, consul B. C. 122, contained the same provisions respecting the Latini and Italici; and a lex of C. Papius, perhaps B. C. 65, contained the same respecting all persons who were not domiciled in Italy.

JUNIA LICINIA. [LICINIA JUNIA.]

JUNIA NORBANA, of uncertain date, but probably about A. D. 17, enacted that when a Roman citizen had manumitted a slave without the requisite formalities, the manumission should not in all cases be ineffectual, but the manumitted person should have the status of a *Latinus*.

JU'NIA REPETUNDA'RUM. [REPE-TUNDAE.]

LAETO'RIA, the false name of the Lex Plaetoria. [CURATOR.]

Sometimes the lex proposed by Volero for electing plebeian magistrates at the comitia tributa is cited as a Lex Laetoria.

LICI'NIA DE SODALI'TIIS. [AMBITUS.]

LICI'NIA JU'NIA, or, as it is sometimes called, Junia et Licinia, passed in the consulship of L. Licinius Murena and Junius Silanus, B. C. 62, enforced the Caecilia Didia, in connection with which it is sometimes mentioned.

LICI'NIA MU'CIA DE CIVIBUS REGUNDIS passed in the consulship of L. Licinius Crassus and Q. Mucius Scaevola, B. C. 95, enacted a strict examination as to the title to citizenship, and deprived of the exercise of civic rights all those who could not make out a good title to them. This measure partly led to the Marsic war.

LICI'NIA SUMTUARIA. [LEGES SUMTUARIAE.]

LICI'NIAE, proposed by C. Licinius, who was tribune of the people from B. C. 376 to 367, and who brought the contest between patricians and plebeians to a happy termination. He was supported in his exertions by his colleague L. Sextius. The laws which he proposed were:—1. That in future no more consular tribunes should be appointed, but that consuls should be elected as in former times, one of whom should always be a plebeian. 2. That no one should possess more than 500 jugera of the public land, nor keep upon it more than 100 head of large, or 500 of small cattle. 3. A law regulating the affairs between debtor and creditor, which ordained that the interest already paid for borrowed money should be deducted from the capital, and that the remainder of the latter should be paid back in three yearly instalments. 4. That the Sibylline books should be entrusted to a college of ten men (*decemviri*), half of whom should be plebeians, in order that no falsifications might be introduced in favour of the patricians. These rogations were passed after a most vehement opposition on the part of the patricians, and L. Sextius was the first plebeian who, in accordance with the first of them, obtained the consulship for the year B. C. 366.

LIVIAE, various enactments proposed by the tribune M. Livius Drusus, B. C. 91, for establishing colonies in Italy and Sicily, distributing corn among the poor citizens at a low rate, and admitting the foederatae civitates to the Roman civitas. He is also said

to have been the mover of a law for adulterating silver by mixing with it an eighth part of brass. Drusus was assassinated, and the senate declared that all his laws were passed *contra auspicia*, and were therefore not leges.

LUTA'TIA DE VI. [VIS.]

MAE'NIA LEX, is only mentioned by Cicero who says that M. Curius compelled the patres *ante auctores fieri* in the case of the election of a plebeian consul, "which," adds Cicero, "was a great thing to accomplish, as the Lex Maenia was not yet passed." The lex therefore required the patres to give their consent at least to the election of a magistratus, or in other words, to confer or agree to confer the imperium on the person whom the comitia should elect. It was probably proposed by the tribune Maenius B. C. 287.

MAJESTA'TIS. [MAJESTAS.]

MANI'LIA, proposed by the tribune C. Manilius, B. C. 66, was a privilege by which was conferred on Pompey the command in the war against Mithridates. The lex was supported by Cicero when praetor.

MA'NLIA, also called LICI'NIA, B. C. 196, created the triumphviri epulones.

MA'NLIA DE VICE'SIMA, B. C. 357, imposed the tax of five per cent. (*VICESIMA*) on the value of manumitted slaves.

MA'RCIA, probably about the year B. C. 352, *adversus feneratores*.

MA'RCIA, an agrarian law proposed by the tribune L. Marcus Philippus, B. C. 104.

MA'RIA, proposed by Marius when tribune, B. C. 119, for narrowing the pontes at elections.

ME'MMIA or RE'MMIA. [CALUMNIA.]

MINU'CIA, B. C. 216, created the triumphviri mensarii.

OCTA'VIA, one of the numerous leges frumentariae which repealed a Sempronia Frumentaria. It is mentioned by Cicero as a more reasonable measure than the Sempronia, which was too profuse.

OGU'LNIA, proposed by the tribunes B. C. 300, increased the number of pontifices to eight, and that of the augurs to nine; it also enacted that four of the pontifices and five of the augurs should be taken from the plebes.

O'PPIA. [LEGES SUMTUARIAE.]

O'RCHIA. [LEGES SUMTUARIAE.]

OVI'NIA, of uncertain date, was a plebiscitum which gave the censors certain powers in regulating the lists of the senators (*ordo senatorius*): the main object seems to have been to exclude all improper persons from the senate, and to prevent their admission, if in other respects qualified.

PA'PIA DE PEREGRINI'NIS. [LEX JUNIA DE PEREGRINIS.]

PA'PIA POPPAEA. [LEX JULIA ET PA'PIA POPPAEA.]

PAP'RIA, or JULIA PAP'RIA DE MULCTARUM AESTIMATIONE (B. C. 430), fixed a money value according to which fines were paid, which formerly were paid in sheep and cattle. Some writers make this valuation part of the Aternian law [ATERNIA TARPEIA], but in this they appear to have been mistaken.

PAP'RIA, by which the as was made semuncialis, one of the various enactments which tampered with the coinage.

PAP'RIA, B. C. 332, proposed by the praetor Papirius, gave the Acerani the civitas without the suffragium. It was properly a privilegium, but is useful as illustrating the history of the extension of the civitas Romana.

PAP'RIA, of uncertain date, enacted that no *aedes* should be declared *consecratae* without a plebiscitum.

PAP'RIA PLAUTIA, a plebiscitum of the year B. C. 89, proposed by the tribunes C. Papirius Carbo and M. Plautius Silvanus, in the consulship of Cn. Pompeius Strabo and L. Porcius Cato, is called by Cicero a lex of Silvanus and Carbo. [See CIVITAS; FÖDERATAE CIVITATES.]

PAP'RIA POETELIA. [LEX POETELIA.]

PAP'RIA TABELLARIA. [LEGES TABELLARIAE.]

PEDUCAEA, B. C. 113, a plebiscitum, seems to have been merely a privilegium, and not a general law against incestum.

PETREIA, *de decimatione militum*, in case of mutiny.

PETRONIA, probably passed in the time of Augustus, and subsequently amended by various senatus-consulta, forbade a master to deliver up his slave to fight with wild beasts.

PINA'RIA, related to the giving of a judex within a limited time.

PLAETORIA. [CURATOR.]

PLAUTIA or PLOTIA DE VI. [VIS.]

PLAUTIA or PLOTIA JUDICIARIA, enacted that fifteen persons should be annually taken from each tribe to be placed in the Album Judicum.

POETELIA, B. C. 358, a plebiscitum, was the first lex against ambitus.

POETELIA PAP'RIA, B. C. 326, made an important change in the liabilities of the Nexi.

POMPEIAE. There were various leges so called.

DE CIVITATE, proposed by Cn. Pompeius Strabo, the father of Cn. Pompeius Magnus, probably in his consulship, B. C. 89, gave the

jus Latii or Latinitas to all the towns of the Transpadani, and probably the civitas to the Cispadani.

DE AMBITU. [AMBITUS.]

JUDICIARIA. [JUDEX, p. 181.]

DE JURE MAGISTRATUUM, forbade a person to be a candidate for public offices (*petitio honorum*) who was not at Rome; but J. Caesar was excepted. This was doubtless the old law, but it had apparently become obsolete.

DE PARRICIDIIS. [PARRICIDIUM.]

TRIBUNITIA (B. C. 70), restored the old tribunitia potestas, which Sulla had nearly destroyed. [TRIBUNI.]

DE VI, was a privilegium, and only referred to the case of Milo.

PORCIAE DE CA'PITE CIVIUM, or DE PROVOCATIONE, enacted that no Roman citizen should be scourged or put to death.

PORCIA DE PROVINCIIS, about B. C. 198, the enactments of which are doubtful.

PUBLILIA. In the consulship of L. Pinarius and P. Furius, B. C. 472, the tribune Publius Volero proposed, in the assembly of the tribes, that the tribunes should in future be appointed in the comitia of the tribes (*ut plebei magistratus tributis comitis fierent*), instead of by the centuries, as had formerly been the case; since the clients of the patricians were so numerous in the centuries, that the plebeians could not elect whom they wished. This measure was violently opposed by the patricians, who prevented the tribes from coming to any resolution respecting it throughout this year; but in the following year, B. C. 471, Publius was re-elected tribune, and together with him C. Laetorius, a man of still greater resolution than Publius. Fresh measures were added to the former proposition: the aediles were to be chosen by the tribes, as well as the tribunes, and the tribes were to be competent to deliberate and determine on all matters affecting the whole nation, and not such only as might concern the plebes. This proposition, though still more violently resisted by the patricians than the one of the previous year, was carried. Some said that the number of the tribunes was now for the first time raised to five, having been only two previously.

PUBLILIAE, proposed by the dictator Q. Publilius Philo, B. C. 339. According to Livy, there were three Publiliae Leges. 1. The first is said to have enacted, that plebiscita should bind all Quirites, which is to the same purport as the Lex Hortensia of B. C. 286. It is probable, however, that the object of this law was to render the approval of the senate a sufficient confirmation of a plebiscitum, and

to make the confirmation of the curiae unnecessary. 2. The second law enacted, *ut legum quae comitiis centuriatis ferrentur ante initium suffragium patres auctores fierent*. By patres Livy here means the curiae; and accordingly this law made the confirmation of the curiae a mere formality in reference to all laws submitted to the comitia centuriata, since every law proposed by the senate to the centuries was to be considered to have the sanction of the curiae also. 3. The third law enacted that one of the two censors should necessarily be a plebeian. It is probable that there was also a fourth law, which applied the Licinian law to the praetorship as well as to the censorship, and which provided that in each alternate year the praetor should be a plebeian.

PUPPIA, mentioned by Cicero, seems to have enacted that the senate could not meet on comitiales dies.

QUINTIA, was a lex proposed by T. Quintius Crispinus, consul b. c. 9, for the preservation of the aquaeductus.

REGIA. A *Lex Regia* during the kingly period of Roman history might have a twofold meaning. In the first place, it was a law which had been passed by the comitia under the presidency of the king, and was thus distinguished from a *Lex Tribunitia*, which was passed by the comitia under the presidency of the tribunes celerum. In later times all laws, the origin of which was attributed to the time of the kings, were called *Leges Regiae*, though it by no means follows that they were all passed under the presidency of the kings, and much less, that they were enacted by the kings without the sanction of the curies. Some of these laws were preserved and followed at a very late period of Roman history. A collection of them was made, though at what time is uncertain, by Papius or Papirius, and this compilation was called the *Jus Civile Papirianum* or *Papirianum*.

The second meaning of *Lex Regia* during the kingly period was undoubtedly the same as that of the *Lex Curiata de Imperio*. [IMPERIUM. This indeed is not mentioned by any ancient writer, but must be inferred from the *Lex Regia* which we meet with under the empire, for the name could scarcely have been invented then; it must have come down from early times, when its meaning was similar, though not nearly so extensive. During the empire the curies continued to hold their meetings, though they were only a shadow of former times; and after the election of a new emperor, they conferred upon him the imperium in the ancient form by a *Lex Curiata de Imperio*, which was now usually called *Lex Regia*. The imperium, however, which this

Regia Lex conferred upon an emperor, was of a very different nature from that which in former times it had conferred upon the kings. It now embraced all the rights and powers which the populus Romanus had formerly possessed, so that the emperor became what formerly the populus had been, that is, the sovereign power in the state. A fragment of such a *lex regia*, conferring the imperium upon Vespasian, engraved upon a brazen table, is still extant in the Lateran at Rome.

RE'MNIA. [CALUMNIA.]

REPETUNDA'RUM. [REPETUNDÆ.]

RHO'DIA. The Rhodians had a maritime code which was highly esteemed. Some of its provisions were adopted by the Romans, and have thus been incorporated in the maritime law of European states. It was not, however, a *lex* in the proper sense of the term.

RO'SCIA THEATRA'LIS, proposed by the tribune L. Roscius Otho, b. c. 67, which gave the equites a special place at the public spectacles in fourteen rows or seats (*in quatuordecim gradibus sine ordinibus*) next to the place of the senators, which was in the orchestra. This *lex* also assigned a certain place to spendthrifts. The phrase *sedere in quatuordecim ordinibus* is equivalent to having the proper census equestris which was required by the *lex*. There are numerous allusions to this *lex*, which is sometimes simply called the *Lex* of Otho, or referred to by his name. It is supposed by some writers to have been enacted in the consulship of Cicero, b. c. 63.

RU'BRIA. The province of Gallia Cisalpina ceased to be a provincia, and became a part of Italia, about the year b. c. 43. When this change took place, it was necessary to provide for the administration of justice, as the usual modes of provincial administration would cease with the determination of the provincial form of government. This was effected by a *lex*, a large part of which, on a bronze tablet, is preserved in the Museum at Parma. The name of this *lex* is not known, but it is supposed by some to be the *Lex Rubria*.

RUPILIAE LEGES (b. c. 131), were the regulations established by P. Rupilius, and ten legati, for the administration of the province of Sicily, after the close of the first servile war. They were made in pursuance of a consultum of the senate. Cicero speaks of these regulations as a decretum of Rupilius, which he says they call *Lex Rupilia*; but it was not a *lex* proper. The powers given to the commissioners by the *Lex Julia Municipalis* were of a similar kind.

SACRA'TAE. Leges were properly so

called which had for their object to make a thing or person *sacer*.

A *lex sacra* *militaris* is also mentioned by Livy.

SATURA. [LEX, p. 190.]

SCANTINIA, proposed by a tribune; the date and contents are not known, but its object was to suppress unnatural crimes. It existed in the time of Cicero.

SCRIBONIA. The date and whole import of this *lex* are not known; but it enacted that a right to servitudes should not be acquired by usucapion.

SEMPRONIAE, the name of various laws proposed by Tiberius and Caius Sempronius Gracchus.

AGRARIA. In B. C. 133 the tribune Tib. Gracchus revived the Agrarian law of Licinius [LEGES LICINIAE]: he proposed that no one should possess more than 500 jugera of the public land, and that the surplus land should be divided among the poor citizens, who were not to have the power of alienating it: he also proposed as a compensation to the possessors deprived of the land, on which they had frequently made improvements, that the former possessors should have the full ownership of 500 jugera, and each of their sons, if they had any, half that quantity: finally, that three commissioners (*triumviri*) should be appointed every year to carry the law into effect. This law naturally met with the greatest opposition, but it was eventually passed in the year in which it was proposed, and Tib. Gracchus, C. Gracchus, and Appius Claudius were the three commissioners appointed under it. It was, however, never carried fully into effect, in consequence of the murder of Tib. Gracchus. Owing to the difficulties which were experienced in carrying his brother's agrarian law into effect, it was again brought forward by C. Gracchus, B. C. 123.

DE CAPITIBUS ROMANORUM, proposed by C. Gracchus B. C. 123 enacted that the people only should decide respecting the caput or civil condition of a citizen. This law continued in force till the latest times of the republic.

FRUMENTARIA, proposed by C. Gracchus B. C. 123, enacted that corn should be sold by the state to the people once a month at five-sixths of an as for each modius: Livy says *semissis et triens*, that is 6 oz. and 4 oz. = 10 oz., because there was no coin to represent the *dextans*. [AS.]

JUDICIARIA. [JUDEX, p. 181.]

MILITARIS, proposed by C. Gracchus B. C. 123, enacted that the soldiers should receive their clothing gratis, and that no one should be enrolled as a soldier under the age of seven-

teen. Previously a fixed sum was deducted from the pay for all clothes and arms issued to the soldiers.

NE QVIS JUDICIO CIRCUMVENIRETUR, proposed by C. Gracchus, B. C. 123, punished all who conspired to obtain the condemnation of a person in a *judicium publicum*. One of the provisions of the *Lex Cornelia* of Sicariis was to the same effect.

DE PROVINCIIS CONSULARIBUS, proposed by C. Gracchus, B. C. 123, enacted that the senate should fix each year, before the comitia for electing the consuls were held, the two provinces which were to be allotted to the two new consuls.

There was also a Sempronian law concerning the province of Asia, which probably did not form part of the *Lex de Provinciis Consularibus*: it enacted that the taxes of this province should be let out to farm by the censors at Rome. This law was afterwards repealed by J. Caesar.

SEMPRONIA DE FENERE, B. C. 193, was a plebiscitum proposed by a tribune M. Sempronius, which enacted that the law (*jus*) about money lent (*pecunia credita*) should be the same for the *Socii* and *Latini* (*Socii ac nomen Latinum*) as for Roman citizens. The object of the *lex* was to prevent Romans from lending money in the name of the *Socii* who were not bound by the *fenestrae leges*. The *lex* could obviously only apply within the jurisdiction of Rome.

SERVILIA AGRARIA, proposed by the tribune P. S. Rullus in the consulship of Cicero, B. C. 63, was a very extensive agrarian rogatio. It was successfully opposed by Cicero; but it was in substance carried by J. Caesar; B. C. 59 [LEX JULIA AGRARIA], and is the *lex* called by Cicero *Lex Campana*, from the public land called *ager campanus* being assigned under this *lex*.

SERVILIA GLAUCIA DE CIVITATE. [REPETUNDAE.]

SERVILIA GLAUCIA DE REPETUNDIS. [REPETUNDAE.]

SERVILIA JUDICIARIA, B. C. 106. [JUDEX p. 191.] It is assumed by some writers that a *lex* of the tribune Servius Glaucia repealed the *Servilia Judiciaria* two years after its enactment.

SILVANI ET CARBONIS. [LEX PAPIRI PLAUTIAE.]

SULPICIAE, proposed by the tribune P. Sulpicius Rufus, a supporter of Marius, B. C. 88, enacted the recall of the exiles, the distribution of the new citizens and the libertini among the thirty-five tribes, that the command in the Mithridatic war should be taken from Sulla and given to Marius, and that a senator

should not contract debt to the amount of more than 2000 denarii. The last enactment may have been intended to expel persons from the senate who should get in debt. All these leges were repealed by Sulla.

SULPICIA SEMPRONIA, B. c. 304. No name is given to this lex by Livy, but it was probably proposed by the consuls. It prevented the dedicatio of a templum or altar without the consent of the senate or a majority of the tribunes.

SUMTUARIAE, the name of various laws passed to prevent inordinate expense (*sumtus*) in banquets, dress, &c. In the states of antiquity it was considered the duty of government to put a check upon extravagance in the private expenses of persons, and among the Romans in particular we find traces of this in the laws attributed to the kings, and in the Twelve Tables. The censors, to whom was entrusted the *disciplina* or *cura morum*, punished by the *nota censoria* all persons guilty of what was then regarded as a luxurious mode of living; a great many instances of this kind are recorded. But as the love of luxury greatly increased with the foreign conquests of the republic and the growing wealth of the nation, various leges sumtuarum were passed at different times with the object of restraining it. These, however, as may be supposed, rarely accomplished their object, and in the latter times of the republic they were virtually repealed. The following list of them is arranged in chronological order:—

OPPIA, proposed by the tribune C. Oppius in B. c. 215, enacted that no woman should have above half an ounce of gold, nor wear a dress of different colours, nor ride in a carriage in the city or in any town, or within a mile of it, unless on account of public sacrifices. This law was repealed twenty years afterwards, whence we frequently find the Lex Orchia mentioned as the first lex sumtuaria.

ORCHIA, proposed by the tribune C. Orchius in B. c. 181, limited the number of guests to be present at entertainments.

FANNIA, proposed by the consul C. Fannius, B. c. 61, limited the sums which were to be spent on entertainments, and enacted that not more than 100 asses should be spent on certain festivals named in the lex, whence it is called *centussis* by Lucilius; that on ten other days in each month not more than 30 asses, and that on all other days not more than 10 asses, should be expended; also that no other fowl but one hen should be served up, and that not fattened for the purpose.

DIDIA, passed B. c. 143, extended the Lex Fannia to the whole of Italy, and enacted

that not only those who gave entertainments which exceeded in expense what the law had prescribed, but also all who were present at such entertainments, should be liable to the penalties of the law. We are not, however, told in what these consisted.

LICINIA, agreed in its chief provisions with the Lex Fannia, and was brought forward, we are told, that there might be the authority of a new law upon the subject, inasmuch as the Lex Fannia was beginning to be neglected. It allowed 200 asses to be spent on entertainments upon marriage days, and on other days the same as the Lex Fannia; also, that on ordinary days there should not be served up more than three pounds of fresh, and one pound of salt meat. It was probably passed in B. c. 103.

CORNELIA, a law of the dictator Sulla, B. c. 81, was enacted on account of the neglect of the Fannian and Licinian laws. Like these, it regulated the expenses of entertainments. Extravagance in funerals, which had been forbidden even in the Twelve Tables, was also restrained by a law of Sulla.

ÆMILIA, proposed by the consul Aemilius Lepidus, B. c. 78, did not limit the expenses of entertainments, but the kind and quantity of food that was to be used.

ANTIÆ, of uncertain date, proposed by Antius Resto, besides limiting the expenses of entertainments, enacted that no actual magistrate, or magistrate elect, should dine abroad anywhere except at the houses of certain persons. This law however was little observed; and we are told that Antius never dined out afterwards, that he might not see his own law violated.

JULIA, proposed by the dictator C. Julius Caesar, enforced the former sumptuary laws respecting entertainments, which had fallen into disuse. He stationed officers in the provision market to seize upon all eatables for bidden by the law, and sometimes sent lictors and soldiers to banquets to take every thing which was not allowed by the law.

JULIA, a lex of Augustus, allowed 200 sesterces to be expended upon festivals on dies profesti, 300 on those of the calends, ides, nones, and some other festive days, and 1000 upon marriage feasts. There was also an edict of Augustus or Tiberius, by which as much as from 300 to 2000 sesterces were allowed to be expended upon entertainments, the increase being made with the hope of securing thereby the observance of the law.

Tiberius attempted to check extravagance in banquets; and a senatus-consultum was passed in his reign for the purpose of restraining luxury, which forbade gold vases to be

employed, except for sacred purposes, and also prohibited the use of silk garments to men. This sumptuary law, however, was but little observed. Some regulations on the subject were also made by Nero and the succeeding emperors, but they appear to have been of little or no avail in checking the increasing love of luxury in dress and food.

TABELLARIAE, the laws by which the ballot was introduced in voting in the comitia. As to the ancient mode of voting at Rome, see **SUFFRAGIUM**.

GABINIA, proposed by the tribune Gabinus, B. C. 139, introduced the ballot in the election of magistrates; whence Cicero calls the tabella *vindeæ tacitæ libertatis*.

CASSIA, proposed by the tribune L. Cassius Longinus, B. C. 137, introduced the ballot in the *judicium populi*, or cases tried in the comitia by the whole body of the people, with the exception of cases of perduellio.

PAPIRIA, proposed by the tribune C. Papirius Carbo, B. C. 131, introduced the ballot in the enactment and repeal of laws.

CAELIA, proposed by C. Caelius Caldus, B. C. 107, introduced the ballot in cases of perduellio, which had been excepted in the Cassian law.

There was also a law brought forward by Marius, B. C. 119, which was intended to secure freedom and order in voting.

TARPEIA ATERNIA. [**ATERNIA TARPEIA**.]

TERENTILIA, proposed by the tribune C. Terentilius, B. C. 462, but not carried, was a rogatio which had for its object an amendment of the constitution, though in form it only attempted a limitation of the imperium consulare. This rogatio probably led to the subsequent legislation of the decemviri.

THORIA, passed B. C. 121, concerned the public land in Italy as far as the rivers Rubicon and Macra, or all Italy except Cisalpine Gaul, the public land in the province of Africa, and probably other public land besides. It relieved a great part of the public land of the land-tax (*vectigal*). Some considerable fragments of this lex have come down to us, engraved on the back part of the same bronze tablet which contained the Servilia Lex Judiciaria, and on Repetundæ.

TREBONIA, a plebiscitum proposed by L. Trebonius, B. C. 448, which enacted that if the ten tribunes were not chosen before the comitia were dissolved, those who were elected should not fill up the number (*co-optare*), but that the comitia should be continued till the ten were elected.

TRIBUNITIA. 1. A law passed in the times

of the kings under the presidency of the tribunus celerum, and was so called to distinguish it from one passed under the presidency of the king. [**LEX REGIA**.] 2. Any law proposed by a tribune of the plebs. 3. The law proposed by Pompey in B. C. 70, restoring to the tribunes of the plebs the power of which they had been deprived by Sulla.

TULLIA DE A'MBITU. [**AMBITUS**.]

TULLIA DE LEGATIONE LIBERA. [**LEGATUS**, p. 188.]

VALE'RIAE, proposed by the consul P. Valerius Publicola, B. C. 508, enacted: 1. That whoever attempted to obtain possession of royal power should be devoted to the gods, together with his substance. 2. That whoever was condemned by the sentence of a magistrate to be put to death, to be scourged, or to be fined, should possess the right of appeal (*provocatio*) to the people. The patricians possessed previously the right of appeal from the sentence of a magistrate to their own council, the curiae, and therefore this law of Valerius probably related only to the plebeians, to whom it gave the right of appeal to the plebeian tribes, and not to the centuries. Hence the laws proposed by the Valerian family respecting the right of appeal are always spoken of as one of the chief safeguards of the liberty of the plebs. The right of appeal did not extend beyond a mile from the city, where unlimited imperium began, to which the patricians were just as much subject as the plebeians.

VALE'RIAE ET HORA'TIAE, three laws proposed by the consuls L. Valerius and M. Horatius, B. C. 449, in the year after the decemvirate, enacted: 1. That a plebiscitum should be binding on the whole people, respecting the meaning of which expression, see **PLEBISCITUM**. 2. That whoever should procure the election of a magistrate without appeal should be out-lawed, and might be killed by any one with impunity. 3. Renewed the penalty threatened against any one who should harm the tribunes and the aediles, to whom were now added the judges and decemviri. There is considerable doubt as to who are meant by the *judices* and *decemviri*.

VALE'RIA, proposed by the consul M. Valerius, B. C. 300, re-enacted for the third time the celebrated law of his family respecting appeal (*provocatio*) from the decision of a magistrate. The law specified no fixed penalty for its violation, leaving the judges to determine what the punishment should be.

VARIA. [**MAJESTAS**.]

VATINIA DE PROVINCIIS, was the enactment by which Julius Caesar obtained the province of Gallia Cisalpina with Illyri-

cum for five years, to which the senate added Gallia Transalpina. This plebiscitum was proposed by the tribune Vatinius. A Trebonia Lex subsequently prolonged Caesar's imperium for five years.

VATINIA. [REPETUNDÆ.]

VATINIA DE COLONIS, under which the Latina Colonia [LATINITAS] of Novum-Comum in Gallia Cisalpina was planted B. C. 59.

DE VI. [Vis.]

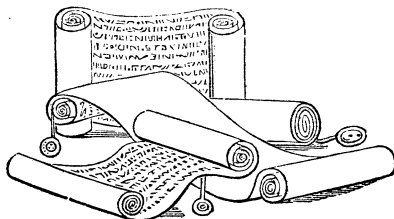
VIA'RIA. A viaria lex which Cicero says the tribune C. Curio talked of; but nothing more seems to be known of it. Some modern writers speak of leges viariae, but there do not appear to be any leges properly so called. The provisions as to roads in many of the Agrarian laws were parts of such leges, and had no special reference to roads.

VILLIA ANNA'LIS. [LEX ANNALIS.]

VOCO'NIA, enacted on the proposal of Q. Voconius Saxa, a tribunus plebis, B. C. 169.

One provision of the lex was, that no person who should be rated in the census at 100,000 sesterces (*centum millia aeris*) after the census of that year, should make any female (*virginem neve mulierem*) his heres. The lex allowed no exceptions, even in favour of an only daughter. It only applied to testaments, and therefore a daughter or other female could inherit ab intestato to any amount. The vestal virgins could make women their heredes in all cases, which was the only exception to the provisions of the lex. Another provision of the lex forbade a person, who was included in the census to give more in amount, in the form of a legacy to any person, than the heres or heredes should take. This provision secured something to the heres or heredes, but still the provision was ineffectual, and the object of the lex was only accomplished by the Lex Falcidia, B. C. 44, which enacted that a testator should not give more than three fourths in legacies, thus securing a fourth to the heres.

LIBER (*βιβλίον*) a book. The most common material on which books were written by the Greeks and Romans, was the thin coats or rind (*liber*, whence the Latin name for a book) of the Egyptian papyrus. This plant was called by the Egyptians Byblos (*βύβλος*), whence the Greeks derived their name for a book (*βιβλίον*). The papyrus-tree grows in swamps to the height of ten feet and more, and paper (*charta*) was prepared from the thin coats or pellicles which surround the plant. The form and general appearance of the papyri rolls will be understood from the following woodcut taken from paintings found at Pompeii.



Libri, Books.

Next to the papyrus, parchment (*membrana*) was the most common material for writing upon. It is said to have been invented by Eumenes II. king of Pergamus, in consequence of the prohibition of the export of papyrus from Egypt by Ptolemy Epiphanes. It is probable, however, that Eumenes introduced only some improvement in the manufacture of parchment, as Herodotus mentions writing on skins as common in his time, and says that the Ionians had been accustomed to give the name of skins (*διφθέραι*) to books.

The ancients wrote usually on only one side of the paper or parchment. The back of the paper, instead of being written upon, was usually stained with saffron colour or the cedrus, which produced a yellow colour.

As paper and parchment were dear, it was frequently the custom to erase or wash out writing of little importance, and to write upon the paper or parchment again, which was then called *Palimpsestus* (*παλινψηστός*).

The paper or parchment was joined together so as to form one sheet, and when the work was finished, it was rolled on a staff, whence it was called a *volumen*; and hence we have the expression *evolvere librum*. When an author divided a work into several books, it was usual to include only one book in a volume or roll, so that there was generally the same number of volumes as of books.

In the papyri rolls found at Herculaneum, the stick on which the papyrus is rolled does not project from the papyrus, but is concealed by it. Usually, however, there were balls or bosses, ornamented or painted, called *umbilici* or *cornua*, which were fastened at each end of the stick and projected from the papyrus. The ends of the roll were carefully cut, polished with pumice-stone and coloured black; they were called the *geminae frontes*.

To protect the roll from injury it was frequently put in a parchment case, which was stained with a purple colour or with the yellow of the Lintum.

The title of the book (*titulus, index*) was written on a small strip of papyrus or parchment with a light red colour (*coccum* or *minium*).

LIBERA'LIA. [DIONYSIA, p. 120.]

LIB'ERI. [INGENU; LIBERTUS.]

LIBERTUS, LIBERTINUS. Freeman (*liberi*) were either *Ingenui* [INGENU] or *Libertini*. *Libertini* were those persons who had been released from legal servitude. A manumitted slave was *Libertus* (that is, *liberatus*) with reference to his master: with reference to the class to which he belonged after manumission, he was *Libertinus*. Respecting the mode in which a slave was manumitted, and his status after manumission, see MANUMISSIO.

At Athens, a liberated slave was called *ἀπελευθερος*. When manumitted he did not obtain the citizenship, but was regarded as a *metoicus* [METOICUS], and, as such, he had to pay not only the *metoicon* (μετοίκιον), but a triobolon in addition to it. His former master became his patron (προστάτης), to whom he owed certain duties.

LIBITINA'RII. [FUNDUS, p. 161.]

LIBRA, *dim.* LIBELLA (σταθμός), a balance, a pair of scales. The principal parts of this instrument were: 1. The beam (*jugum*). 2. The two scales, called in Greek *τάλαντα*, and in Latin *lances*. The beam was made without a tongue, being held by a ring or other appendage (*ligula, ῥύμα*), fixed in the centre. The annexed woodcut represents Mercury and Apollo engaged in exploring the fates of Achilles and Memnon, by weighing the attendant genius of the one against that of the other.



Libra, Pair of Scales.

LIBRA or AS, a pound, the unit of weight among the Romans and Italians.

ancial division, which has been noticed in speaking of the coin AS, was also applied to the weight. The following table shows the divisions of the pound, with their value in ounces and grains, avoirdupois weight.

	Unciae.	Oz.	Grs.
As or Libra	12	11½	60. 45
Deunx	11	10½	64. 54
Dextans or Decuncis	10	9½	38. 50
Dodrans	9	8½	42. 57
Bes or Bessis	8	7½	76. 75
Septunx	7	6½	80. 88
Semis or Semissis	6	5½	84. 95
Quincunx	5	4½	89. 05
Triens	4	3½	93. 14
Quadrans or Teruncius	3	2½	97. 21
Sextans	2	1½	101. 29
Sescuncia or Sescunx	1½	1¼	103. 624
Uncia	1	0¾	105. 36
			or 433. 666

The divisions of the ounce are given under UNCIA. Where the word *pondo*, or its abbreviations P. or POND., occur with a simple number, the weight understood is the *libra*.

The name *libra* was also given to a measure of horn, divided into twelve equal parts (*unciae*) by lines marked on it, and used for measuring oil.

LIBRA RII, the name of slaves, who were employed by their masters in writing or copying, sometimes called *antiquarii*. They must be distinguished from the *Scribae publici*, who were freemen [SCRIBAE], and also from the booksellers [BIBLIOPOLA], to both of whom this name was also applied.

LIBRARIES. [BIBLIOTHECA.]

LIBRIPENS. [MANCIPIUM.]

LIBURNA, LIBURNICA, a light vessel, which derived its name from the Liburni. The ships of this people were of great assistance to Augustus at the battle of Actium; and experience having shown their efficiency, vessels of a similar kind were built and called by the name of the people.

LICTOR, a public officer, who attended on the chief Roman magistrates. The number which waited on the different magistrates is stated in the article FASCES.

The office of lictor is said to have been derived by Romulus from the Etruscans. The lictors went before the magistrates one by one in a line; he who went last or next to the magistrate was called *proximus lictor*, to whom the magistrate gave his commands; and as this lictor was always the principal one, we also find him called *primus lictor*.

The lictors had to inflict punishment on those who were condemned, especially in the case of Roman citizens; for foreigners and

slaves were punished by the *Carnifex*; and they also probably had to assist in some cases in the execution of a decree or judgment in a civil suit. The lictors likewise commanded persons to pay proper respect to a magistrate passing by, which consisted in dismounting from horseback, uncovering the head, standing out of the way, &c.

The lictors were originally chosen from the plebs, but afterwards appear to have been generally freedmen, probably of the magistrate on whom they attended.

Lictors were properly only granted to those magistrates who had the *Imperium*. Consequently, the tribunes of the plebs never had lictors, nor several of the other magistrates. Sometimes, however, lictors were granted to persons as a mark of respect or for the sake of protection. Thus by a law of the *Triumvirs* every vestal virgin was accompanied by a lictor, whenever she went out, and the honour of one or two lictors was usually granted to the wives and other female members of the Imperial family.

There were also thirty lictors called *Lictores Curiati*, whose duty it was to summon the curiae to the comitia curiata; and when these meetings became little more than a form, their suffrages were represented by the thirty lictors.

LIMEN. [JANUA.]

LINTER, a light boat frequently formed of the trunk of a tree, and drawing little water.

LITHOSTROTA. [DOMUS, p. 127.]

LITRA (*λίτρα*), a Sicilian silver coin equal in value to the Aeginetan obol.

LITURGIES. [LEITOURGIA.]

LITUUS probably an Etruscan word signifying *crooked*. 1. The crooked staff borne by the augurs, with which they divided the expanse of heaven, when viewed with refer-



Lituus, Augur's Staff.

ence to divination (*templum*), into regions (*regiones*). It is very frequently exhibited upon works of art. The figure in the middle of the preceding illustrations is from an ancient specimen of Etruscan sculpture, representing an augur; the two others are Roman denarii. 2. A sort of trumpet slightly curved at the extremity. It differed both from the *tuba* and the *cornu*, the former being straight, while the latter was bent round into a spiral shape. Its tones are usually characterized as harsh and shrill.



Lituus, Trumpet.

LIXAE. [CALONES.]

LODIX, a small shaggy blanket. It was also used as a carpet.

LOGISTAE. [EUTHYNE.]

LOOKING-GLASS. [SPECULUM.]

LOOM. [TELA.]

LORICA (*ὄραξ*), a cuirass. The cuirass was worn by the heavy-armed infantry both among the Greeks and Romans. The soldiers commonly wore cuirasses made of flexible bands of steel, or cuirasses of chain mail; but those of generals and officers usually consisted of two *γυάλα*, the breast-piece and back-piece, made of bronze, iron, &c., which were joined by means of buckles (*περόναι*). The epithets *λεπιδωτός* and *φοιδωτός* are



Lorica.
λεπιδωτός.

Lorica.
φοιδωτός.

applied to a cuirass; the former on account of its resemblance to the scales of fish (*λεπίσιν*), the latter to the scales of serpents (*φολίσιν*.)

Among the Asiatic nations the cuirass was frequently made of cotton, and among the Sarmatians and other northern nations of horn.



Lorica as worn by a Roman Emperor.



Lorica as worn by a Greek Warrior.

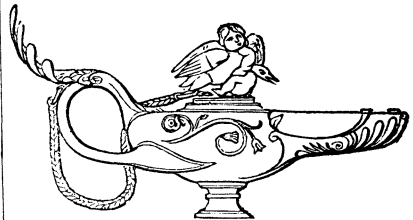
LOTS. [SORTES.]

LUCAR. [HISTRO.]

LUCERES. [TRIBUS.]

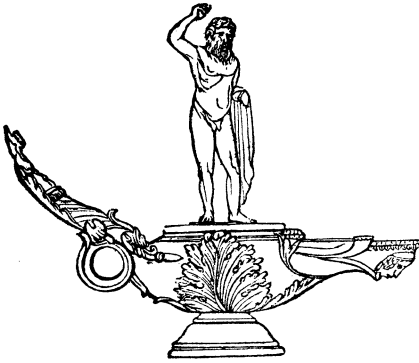
LUCERNA (*λύχνος*) an oil lamp. The Greeks and Romans originally used candles; but in later times candles were chiefly confined to the houses of the lower classes. [CANDELA.] A great number of ancient lamps has come down to us; the greater part of which are made of terra cotta, but also a considerable number of bronze. Most of the lamps are of an oval form, and flat upon the top, on which there are frequently figures in relief. In the lamps there are one or more round holes, according to the number of wicks (*eltychnia*) burnt in it; and as these holes were called from an obvious analogy, *μυκτήρες* or *μύζαι*, literally nostrils or nozzles, the lamp was also called *Monomyxos*, *Dimyxos*, *Trimyxos*, or *Polymyxos*, according as it contained one, two, three, or a greater number of

nozzles or holes for the wicks. The following is an example of a *dimyxos lucerna*, upon which there is a winged boy with a goose.



Lucerna, Lamp.

The next woodcut represents one of the most beautiful bronze lamps which has yet been found. Upon it is the figure of a standing Silenus.



Lucerna, Lamp.

The lamps sometimes hung in chains from the ceiling of the room, but they generally stood upon a stand. [CANDELABRUM.]

LUCTA, LUCTATIO (πάλη, πάλαισμα, παλαισμοσύνη, or καταβλητική), wrestling.

The Greeks ascribed the invention of wrestling to mythical personages, and Mercury, the god of all gymnastic exercises, also presided over wrestling. In the Homeric age wrestling was much practised: during this period wrestlers contended naked, and only the loins were covered with the perizoma (περιζώμα), and this custom probably remained throughout Greece until Ol. 15, from which time the perizoma was no longer used, and wrestlers fought entirely naked. In the Homeric age the custom of anointing the body for the purpose of wrestling does not appear to have been known, but in the time of Solon it was quite general, and was said to have been adopted by the Cretans and Lacedaemonians at a very early period. After the body was anointed, it was strewed over with sand or dust, in order to enable the wrestlers to take a firm hold of each other. If one combatant threw the other down three times, the victory was decided. Wrestling was practised in all the great games of the Greeks. The most renowned wrestler was Milon, of Croton. [PANCRACTIUM.]

LUDI, the common name for the whole variety of games and contests which were held at Rome on various occasions, but chiefly at the festivals of the gods; and as the ludi at certain festivals formed the principal part of the solemnities, these festivals themselves are called ludi. Sometimes ludi were also held in honour of a magistrate or a deceased

person, in which case they may be considered as ludi privati.

All ludi were divided by the Romans into two classes, *ludi circenses* and *ludi scenici*, accordingly as they were held in the circus or in the theatre; in the latter case they were mostly theatrical representations with their various modifications; in the former they consisted of all or of a part of the games enumerated in the articles **CIRCUS** and **GLADIATORES**. Another division of the ludi into *stati*, *imperativi*, and *votivi*, is analogous to the division of the feriae. [FERIAE.]

The superintendence of the games, and the solemnities connected with them, was in most cases entrusted to the aediles. [AEDILES.] If the lawful rites were not observed in the celebration of the ludi, it depended upon the decision of the pontiffs whether they were to be held again (*instaurari*) or not. An alphabetical list of the principal ludi is subjoined.

LUDI APOLLINARES were instituted at Rome during the second Punic war, after the battle of Cannae (212 B. C.), at the command of an oracle contained in the books of the ancient seer Marcius, in order to obtain the aid of Apollo. They were held every year under the superintendence of the praetor urbanus, and ten men sacrificed to Apollo, according to Greek rites, a bull with gilt horns and two white goats also with gilt horns, and to Latona a heifer with gilt horns. The games themselves were held in the Circus Maximus, the spectators were adorned with chaplets, and each citizen gave a contribution towards defraying the expenses. In B. C. 208, it was ordained that they should always be celebrated on the 6th of July.

LUDI AUGUSTALES. [AUGUSTALES.]

LUDI CAPITOLINI were instituted B. C. 387, after the departure of the Gauls from Rome, as a token of gratitude towards Jupiter Capitolinus, who had saved the capitol in the hour of danger. The superintendence of the games was entrusted to a college of priests called *Capitolini*.

LUDI CIRCENSES, ROMANI or **MAGNI**, were celebrated every year during several days, from the fourth to the twelfth of September, in honour of the three great divinities, Jupiter, Juno, and Minerva, or, according to others, in honour of Jupiter, Consus, and Neptunus Equestris. They were superintended by the curule aediles. For further particulars see **CIRCUS**.

LUDI COMPITALICH. [COMPITALIA.]

LUDI FLORALES. [FLORALIA.]

LUDI FUNEBRES were games celebrated at the funeral pyre of illustrious persons. Such games are mentioned in the very early legends

of the history of Greece and Rome, and they continued with various modifications until the introduction of Christianity. It was at such a ludus funebris, in B. C. 264, that gladiatorial fights were exhibited at Rome, for the first time, which henceforwards were the most essential part in all funeral games. [GLADIATOIRES.]

LUDI LIBERALES. [DIONYSIA.]

LUDI MEGALENSES. [MEGALESIA.]

LUDI PLEBEII were instituted probably in commemoration of the reconciliation between the patricians and plebeians after the first secession to the mons sacer, or, according to others, to the Aventine. They were held on the 16th, 17th, and 18th of November, and were conducted by the plebeian aediles.

LUDI SAECULARES. During the time of the republic these games were called *ludi Tarentini*, *Terentini*, or *Taurii*, and it was not till the time of Augustus that they bore the name of *ludi saeculares*.

The names *Tarenti* or *Taurii* are perhaps nothing but different forms of the same word, and of the same root as Tarquinius. There were various accounts respecting the origin of the games, yet all agree in stating that they were celebrated for the purpose of averting from the state some great calamity by which it had been afflicted, and that they were held in honour of Dis and Proserpina. From the time of the consul Valerius Poplicola down to that of Augustus, the Tarentine games were held only three times, and again only on certain emergencies, and not at any fixed period, so that we must conclude that their celebration was in no way connected with certain cycles of time (*saecula*). Not long after Augustus had assumed the supreme power in the republic, the quincimviri announced that according to their books *ludi saeculares* ought to be held, and at the same time tried to prove from history that in former times they had not only been celebrated repeatedly, but almost regularly once in every century.

The festival, however, which was now held, was in reality very different from the ancient Tarentine games; for Dis and Proserpina, to whom formerly the festival belonged exclusively, were now the last in the list of the divinities in honour of whom the *ludi saeculares* were celebrated. The festival took place in summer, and lasted for three days and three nights. On the first day the games commenced in that part of the Campus Martius, which had belonged to the last Tarquin, from whom it derived its name Tarentum, and sacrifices were offered to Jupiter, Juno, Neptune, Minerva, Venus, Apollo, Mercury,

Ceres, Vulcan, Mars, Diana, Vesta, Hercules, Latona, the Parcae, and to Dis and Proserpina. The solemnities began at the second hour of the night, and the emperor opened them by the river side with the sacrifice of three lambs to the Parcae upon three altars erected for the purpose, and which were sprinkled with the blood of the victims. The lambs themselves were burnt. A temporary scene like that of a theatre was erected in the Tarentum, and illuminated with lights and fires.

In this scene festive hymns were sung by a chorus, and various other ceremonies, together with theatrical performances, took place. During the morning of the first day the people went to the capitol to offer solemn sacrifices to Jupiter; thence they returned to the Tarentum, to sing choruses in honour of Apollo and Diana. On the second day the noblest matrons, at an hour fixed by an oracle, assembled on the Capitol, offered supplications, sang hymns to the gods, and also visited the altar of Juno. The emperor and the quincimviri offered sacrifices which had been vowed before, to all the great divinities. On the third day, Greek and Latin choruses were sung in the sanctuary of Apollo by three times nine boys and maidens of great beauty whose parents were still alive. The object of these hymns was to implore the protection of the gods for all cities, towns, and officers of the empire. One of these hymns was the *carmen saeculare* by Horace, which was especially composed for the occasion and adapted to the circumstances of the time. During the whole of the three days and nights, games of every description were carried on in all the circuses and theatres, and sacrifices were offered in all the temples.

The first celebration of the *ludi saeculares* in the reign of Augustus took place in the summer of B. C. 17.

LUDI TARENTINI OR TAURII. [LUDI SAECULARES.]

LUDUS. [GLADIATOIRES, p. 167.]

LUDUS TROJAE. [CIRCUS, p. 82.]

LUPERCALIA, one of the most ancient Roman festivals, which was celebrated every year, in honour of Lupercus, the god of fertility. It was originally a shepherd-festival, and hence its introduction at Rome was connected with the names of Romulus and Remus, the kings of shepherds. It was held every year, on the 15th of February, in the Lupercal, where Romulus and Remus were said to have been nurtured by the she-wolf; the place contained an altar and a grove sacred to the god Lupercus. Here the Luperci assembled on the day of the Lupercalia, and sacrificed to

the god goats and young dogs. Two youths of noble birth were then led to the Luperci, and one of the latter touched their foreheads with a sword dipped in the blood of the victims; other Luperci immediately after wiped off the bloody spots with wool dipped in milk. Hereupon the two youths were obliged to break out into a shout of laughter. This ceremony was probably a symbolical purification of the shepherds. After the sacrifice was over, the Luperci partook of a meal, at which they were plentifully supplied with wine. They then cut the skins of the goats which they had sacrificed, into pieces: with some of which they covered parts of their body in imitation of the god Luperus, who was represented half naked and half covered with goat skin. The other pieces of the skins they cut in the shape of thongs, and holding them in their hands they ran with them through the streets of the city, touching or striking with them all persons whom they met in their way, and especially women, who even used to come forward voluntarily for the purpose, since they believed that this ceremony rendered them fruitful, and procured them an easy delivery in childbearing. This act of running about with thongs of goatskin was a symbolic purification of the land, and that of touching persons a purification of men, for the words by which this act is designated are *februare* and *lustrare*. The goatskin itself was called *februum*, the festive day *dies februata*, the month in which it occurred *Februarius*, and the god himself *Februus*.

The festival of the Lupercalia, though it necessarily lost its original import at the time when the Romans were no longer a nation of shepherds, was yet always observed in commemoration of the founders of the city. M. Antonius, in his consulship, was one of the Luperci, and not only ran with them half naked and covered with pieces of goatskin through the city, but even addressed the people in the forum in this rude attire.

LUPERCI, the priests of the god Luperus. They formed a college, the members of which were originally youths of patrician families, and which was said to have been instituted by Romulus and Remus. The college was divided into two classes, the one called *Fabii* or *Fabiani*, and the other *Quinctilii* or *Quinctiliani*. The office was not for life, but how long it lasted is not known. Julius Caesar added to the two classes of the college a third with the name of *Julii* or *Juliani*, and made Antonius their high-priest. He also assigned to them certain revenues (*vectigalia*) which were afterwards withdrawn from them.

LUPUS FERREUS, the iron wolf used

by the besieged in repelling the attacks of the besiegers, and especially in seizing the battering-ram and diverting its blows.

LUSTRATIO (*κάθαρσις*), was originally a purification by ablution in water. But the lustrations, of which we possess direct knowledge, are always connected with sacrifices and other religious rites, and consisted in the sprinkling of water by means of a branch of laurel or olive, and at Rome sometimes by means of the aspergillum, and in the burning of certain materials, the smoke of which was thought to have a purifying effect. Whenever sacrifices were offered, it seems to have been customary to carry them around the person or thing to be purified. Lustrations were made in ancient Greece, and probably at Rome also, by private individuals when they had polluted themselves by any criminal action. Whole cities and states also sometimes underwent purifications to expiate the crime or crimes committed by a member of the community. The most celebrated purification of this kind was that of Athens, performed by Epimenides of Crete, after the Cylonian massacre. Purification also took place when a sacred spot had been unhallowed by profane use, as by burying dead bodies in it, as was the case with the island of Delos.

The Romans performed lustrations on many occasions, on which the Greeks did not think of them; and the object of most Roman lustrations was not to atone for the commission of crime, but to obtain the blessing of the gods upon the persons or things which were lustrated. Thus fields were purified after the business of sowing was over, and before the sickle was put to the corn. [ARVALES FRATRES.] Sheep were purified every year at the festival of the Palilia. All Roman armies before they took the field were lustrated, and as the solemnity was probably always connected with a review of the troops, the word *lustratio* is also used in the sense of the modern review. The establishment of a new colony was always preceded by a lustratio with solemn sacrifices. The city of Rome itself, as well as other towns within its dominion, always underwent a lustratio, after they had been visited by some great calamity, such as civil bloodshed, awful prodigies, and the like. A regular and general lustratio of the whole Roman people took place after the completion of every lustrum, when the censor had finished his census and before he laid down his office. This *lustratio* (also called *lustrum*) was conducted by one of the censors, and held with sacrifices called *Suovetaurilia*, because the sacrifices consisted of a pig (or ram), a sheep, and an ox. It took place in the Campus Mar-

tius, where the people assembled for the purpose. The sacrifices were carried three times around the assembled multitude.

LUSTRUM (from *luo*, Gr. *λύω*) is properly speaking a lustration or purification, and in particular the purification of the whole Roman people performed by one of the censors in the Campus Martius, after the business of the census was over. [CENSUS; Lustratio.] As this purification took place only once in five years, the word *lustrum* was also used to designate the time between two lustra. The first lustrum was performed in B. C. 566, by king Servius, after he had completed his census, and it is said to have taken place subsequently every five years, after the census was over. The census might be held without the lustrum, and indeed two cases of this kind are recorded which happened in B. C. 459 and 214. In these cases the lustrum was not performed on account of some great calamities which had befallen the republic.

The time when the lustrum took place has been very ingeniously defined by Niebuhr. Six ancient Romulan years of 304 days each were, with the difference of one day, equal to five solar years of 365 days each, or the six ancient years made 1824 days, while the five solar years contained 1825 days. The lustrum, or the great year of the ancient Romans, was thus a cycle, at the end of which, the beginning of the ancient year nearly coincided with that of the solar year. As the coincidence, however, was not perfect, a month of 24 days was intercalated in every eleventh lustrum. Now it is highly probable that the recurrence of such a cycle or great year was, from the earliest times, solemnized with sacrifices and purifications, and that Servius Tullius did not introduce them, but merely connected them with his census, and thus set the example for subsequent ages.

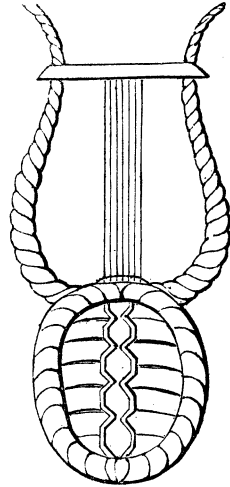
Many writers of the latter period of the republic and during the empire, use the word *lustrum* for any space of five years, and without any regard to the census, while others even apply it in the sense of the Greek *pentæteris* or an Olympiad, which contained only four years.

LYRA (*λύρα*, Lat. *fides*), a lyre, one of the most ancient musical instruments of the stringed kind. The Greeks attributed the invention of the lyre to Mercury, who is said to have formed the instrument of a tortoise-shell, over which he placed gut-strings. The name *λύρα*, however, does not occur in the Homeric poems, and the ancient lyre, called in Homer *phorminx* (*φόρμιγξ*) and *citharis* (*κιθάρις*), seems rather to have resembled the *cithara* of later times, which was in some

respects like a modern guitar. In the *cithara* the strings were drawn across the bottom, whereas in the lyra of ancient times they were free on both sides. The lyre is also called *χέλαις* or *χελώνη*, and in Latin *testudo*, because it was made of a tortoise-shell.

The lyre had originally three or four strings, but after the time of Terpander of Antissa (about B. C. 650), who is said to have added three more, it was generally made with seven. The ancients, however, made use of a variety of lyres; and about the time of Sappho and Anacreon several stringed instruments, such as *magadis*, *barbiton*, and others, were used in Greece, and especially in Lesbos. They had been introduced from Asia Minor, and their number of strings far exceeded that of the lyre, for we know that some had even twenty strings, so that they must have more resembled a modern harp than a lyre.

But the lyra and *cithara* had in most cases no more than seven strings. The lyre had a great and full-sounding bottom, which continued as before, to be made generally of tortoise-shell, from which the horns rose as from the head of a stag. A transverse piece of wood connecting the two horns at or near their top-ends served to fasten the strings,



Lyra.

and was called *ζύγον*, and in Latin *transtulum*. The horns were called *πήγχεις* or *cornua*. These instruments were often adorned in the

most costly manner with gold and ivory. The lyre was considered as a more manly instrument than the cithara, which, on account of its smaller sounding bottom, excluded full-sounding and deep tones, and was more calculated for the middle tones. The lyre when played stood in an upright position between the knees, while the cithara stood upon the knees of the player. Both instruments were held with the left hand and played with the right. It has generally been supposed that the strings of these instruments were always touched with a little staff called *plectrum* (πλήκτρον), but among the paintings discovered at Herculaneum we find several instances where the persons play the lyre with their fingers. The lyre was at all times only played as an accompaniment to songs.

The Latin name *fides*, which was used for a lyre as well as a cithara, is probably the same as the Greek *σφίδης*, which signifies gut-string.

The lyre (*cithara* or *phorminx*) was at first used in the recitations of epic poetry, though it was probably not played during the recitation itself, but only as a prelude before the minstrel commenced his story, and in the intervals or pauses between the several parts. The lyre has given its name to a species of poetry called lyric; this kind of poetry was originally never recited or sung without the accompaniment of the lyre, and sometimes also of an appropriate dance.

M.

MAGADIS. [LYRA.]

MAGISTER, which contains the same root as *mag-is* and *mag-nus*, was applied at Rome to persons possessing various kinds of offices, and especially to the leading person in a collegium or corporation [COLLEGIUM]; thus the *magister societatis* was the president of the corporation of equites, who farmed the taxes at Rome.

MAGISTRATUS was a person *qui juri dicundo praest.* The King was originally the sole Magistratus; he had all the Potestas. On the expulsion of the Kings, two Consuls were annually appointed, and they were Magistratus. In course of time other Magistratus were appointed; namely, dictators, censors, praetors, aediles, tribunes of the plebs, and the Decemviri litibus judicandis. The governors of provinces with the title of Praepreor or Proconsul were also Magistratus.

The word Magistratus contains the same element as *mag(ister)* and *mag(nus)*; and it sig-

nifies both the person and the office, as we see in the phrase *se magistratu abdicare*.

The auspica maxima belonged to the consuls, praetors, and censors, and the minor auspica to the other magistratus; accordingly, the consuls, praetors, and censors were called *Majores*, and they were elected at the comitia centuriata; the other magistratus were called *Minores*. The former had the imperium, the latter had not. The magistratus were also divided into curules and those who were not curules: the magistratus curules were the dictators, consuls, praetors, censors, and the curule aediles, who were so called, because they had the *jus sellae curulis*. The magistratus were chosen only from the patricians in the early republic, but in course of time the plebeians shared these honours, with the exception of that of the Interrex: the plebeian magistratus, properly so called, were the plebeian aediles and the tribuni plebis.

MAJESTAS pretty nearly corresponds to treason in English law; but all the offences included under majestas comprehend more than the English treason. One of the offences included in majestas was the effecting, aiding in, or planning the death of a magistratus populi Romani, or of one who had imperium or potestas. Though the phrase *crimen majestatis* was used, the complete expression was *crimen laesae, imminutae, diminutae, minutae, majestatis*.

The word majestas, consistently with its relation to *mag(nus)*, signifies the magnitude or greatness of a thing. Accordingly, the phrases *majestas populi Romani*, *imperii majestas*, signify the whole of that which constituted the Roman state; in other words, the sovereign power of the Roman state. The expression *minuere majestatem* consequently signifies any act by which this majestas is impaired. In the republican period the term *majestas laesa* or *minuta* was most commonly applied to cases of a general betraying or surrendering his army to the enemy, exciting sedition, and generally by his bad conduct in administration impairing the majestas of the state.

The old punishment of majestas was perpetual interdiction from fire and water. In the later imperial period, persons of low condition were thrown to wild beasts, or burnt alive; persons of better condition were simply put to death.

In the early times of the republic, every act of a citizen which was injurious to the state or its peace was called *perduellio*, and the offender (*perduellus*) was tried before the populus (*populi judicio*), and, if convicted, put to

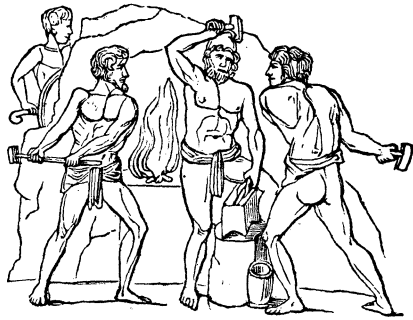
death. *Perduellis* originally signified *hostis*; and thus the old offence of *perduellio* was equivalent to making war on the Roman state. The trial for *perduellio* (*perduellonis iudicium*) existed to the later times of the republic; but the name seems to have almost fallen into disuse, and various *leges* were passed for the purpose of determining more accurately what should be *majestas*. These were a *lex Apuleia*, probably passed in the fifth consulship of Marius, the exact contents of which are unknown, a *lex Varia* b. c. 91, a *lex Cornelia* passed by L. Cornelius Sulla, and the *lex Julia*, which continued under the empire to be the fundamental enactment on this subject. This *lex Julia* is by some attributed to C. Julius Caesar, and assigned to the year b. c. 48.

Under the empire the term *majestas* was applied to the person of the reigning Caesar, and we find the phrases *majestas Augusta*, *imperatoria*, and *regia*. It was, however, nothing new to apply the term to the emperor, considered in some of his various capacities, for it was applied to the magistratus under the republic, as to the consul and praetor. Horace even addresses Augustus in the terms *majestas*, but this can hardly be viewed otherwise than as a personal compliment, and not as said with reference to any of the offices which he held.

MALLE'OLUS, a hammer, the transverse head of which was formed for holding pitch and tow, which, having been set on fire, was projected slowly, so that it might not be extinguished during its flight, upon houses and other buildings in order to set them on fire: it was therefore commonly used in sieges together with torches and *falaricae*.

MALLEUS, *dim.* MALLE'OLUS (*βαλίστηρ, σφύρα, dim. σφύριον*), a hammer, a mallet. In the hands of the farmer the mallet of wood served to break down the clods (*occare*) and to pulverize them. The butcher used it in slaying cattle, by striking the head, and we often read of it as used by the smith upon the anvil. When several men were employed at the same anvil it was a matter of necessity that they should strike in time, and Virgil, accordingly, says of the Cyclopes, "*inter se brachia tollunt in numerum*." (*Georg.* iv. 174; *Aen.* viii. 452.) The scene which he describes is represented in the annexed woodcut, taken from an ancient bas-relief, in which Vulcan, Brontes, and Steropes, are seen forging the metal, while the third Cyclops, Pyracmon, blows the bellows. Beside the anvil is seen the vessel of water in which the hot iron or bronze was immersed.

But besides the employment of the hammer



Malleus, Hammer.

upon the anvil for making all ordinary utensils, the smith wrought with this instrument figures which were either small and fine, some of their parts being beaten as thin as paper, and being in very high relief, as in the bronzes of Siris, or of colossal proportions, being composed of separate plates riveted together.

MALUS. [*Navis*.]

MANCEPS has the same relation to Mancipium that Auspex has to Auspicium. It is properly *qui manu capit*. But the word has several special significations. Mancipes were they who bid at the public lettings of the censors for the purpose of farming any part of the public property. Sometimes the chief of the publicani generally are meant by this term, as they were no doubt the bidders and gave the security, and then they shared the undertaking with others or underlet it. The mancipes would accordingly have distinctive names according to the kind of revenue which they took on lease, as *Decumani*, *Portitores*, *Pecuarii*.

MANCIPATIO. [*Mancipium*.]

MANCIP'PIUM, MANCIPATIO. These words are used to indicate the formal transfer of the ownership of a thing, and are derived from the fact that the person who received the thing took hold of it (*mancipatio dicitur quia manu res capitur*). It was not a simple corporal apprehension, but one which was accompanied with certain forms described by Gaius the jurist:—"Mancipatio is effected in the presence of not less than five witnesses, who must be Roman citizens and of the age of puberty (*puberes*), and also in the presence of another person of the same status, who holds a pair of brazen scales, and hence is called *Libripens*. The purchaser (*qui mancipio accipit*), taking hold of the thing, says: I affirm that this slave (*homo*) is mine *Ex Jure Quiri-*

tium, and he is purchased by me with this piece of money (*aes*) and brazen scales. He then strikes the scales with the piece of money, and gives it to the seller as a symbol of the price (*quasi pretii loco*).” This mode of transfer applied to all free persons or slaves, animals or lands, all of which persons and things were called *Res Mancipi*; other things were called *Nec Mancipi*. Lands (*praedia*) might be thus transferred, though the parties to the mancipatio were not on the lands; but all other things, which were objects of mancipatio, were only transferable in the presence of the parties, because corporeal apprehension was a necessary part of the ceremony. The party who transferred the ownership of a thing pursuant to these forms was said *mancipio dare*; he who thus acquired the ownership was said *mancipio accipere*. The verb *mancipare* is sometimes used as equivalent to *mancipio dare*.

Mancipium may be used as equivalent to complete ownership, and may thus be opposed to *usus* and to *fructus*. Sometimes the word mancipium signifies a slave, as being one of the *res mancipi*.

MANDATUM, often signifies a command from a superior to an inferior. Under the empire the *mandata principum* were the commands and instructions given to governors of provinces and others.

MANIPULUS. [EXERCITUS, p. 146.]

MANUBIAE. [SPOLIA.]

MANUMISSIO was the form by which slaves were released from slavery. There were three modes by which this was effected, namely, Vindicta, Census, and Testamentum. Of these the manumissio by vindicta is probably the oldest, and perhaps was once the only mode of manumission. It is mentioned by Livy as in use at an early period; and, indeed, he states that some persons refer the origin of the vindicta to the event which he relates, and derive its name from Vindicus; the latter part, at least, of the supposition is of no value.

The ceremony of the manumissio by the vindicta was as follows:—The master brought his slave before the magistratus, and stated the grounds (*causa*) of the intended manumission. The lictor of the magistratus laid a rod (*festuca*) on the head of the slave, accompanied with certain formal words, in which he declared that he was a free man *ex jure quiritium*, that is, *vindicavit in libertatem*. The master in the meantime held the slave, and after he had pronounced the words *hunc hominem liberum volo*, he turned him round and let him go (*emisit e manu*), whence the general name of the act of manumission. The word vindicta

itself, which is properly the *res vindicata*, is used for *festuca* by Horace.

In the case of the census the slave was registered by the censors as a citizen with his master's consent. The third mode of manumission was, when a master gave liberty to a slave by his will (*testamentum*).

The act of manumission established the relation of patronus and libertus between the manumissor and the manumitted. When manumitted by a citizen, the libertus took the praenomen and the gentile name of the manumissor, and became in a sense a member of the gens of his patron. To these two names he added some other name as a cognomen, either some name by which he was previously known, or some name assumed on the occasion: thus we find the names M. Tullius Tiro, P. Terentius Afer, and other like names. The relation between a patronus and libertus is stated under PATRONUS.

Before the year B. C. 311, the libertini had not the suffragium, but in that year the censor Appius Claudius gave the libertini a place in the tribes, and from this time the libertini had the suffragium after they were duly admitted on the censors' roll. In the year B. C. 304, they were placed in the tribus urbanae, and not allowed to perform military service. In the censorship of Tiberius Gracchus, B. C. 169, they were placed in one of the tribus urbanae, determined by lot. Subsequently, by a law of Aemilius Scaurus, about B. C. 116, they were restored to the four city tribes, and this remained their condition to the end of the republic, though various attempts were made to give them a better suffrage.

A tax was levied on manumission by a *lex Manlia*, B. C. 357: it consisted of the twentieth part of the value of the slave, hence called *Vicesima*.

MANUS FERREA. [HARPAGO.]

MARRIAGE. [MATRIMONIUM.]

MARSUPIUM (*μαρσῦπιον, βάλάντιον*),



Marsupium, Purse.

a purse. The purse used by the ancients was commonly a small leathern bag, and was often closed by being drawn together at the mouth. Mercury is commonly represented holding one in his hand, of which the annexed woodcut from an intaglio in the Stosch collection at Berlin presents an example.

MATERFAMILIAS. [MATRIMONIUM, p. 212.]

MATRALIA, a festival celebrated at Rome

every year on the 11th of June, in honour of the goddess Mater Matuta, whose temple stood in the Forum Boarium. It was celebrated only by Roman matrons, and the sacrifices offered to the goddess consisted of cakes baked in pots of earthenware. Slaves were not allowed to take part in the solemnities, or to enter the temple of the goddess. One slave, however, was admitted by the matrons, but only to be exposed to a humiliating treatment, for one of the matrons gave her a blow on the cheek, and then sent her away from the temple. The matrons on this occasion took with them the children of their sisters, but not their own, held them in their arms, and prayed for their welfare.

MATRONA'LIA, a festival celebrated on the Kalends of March in honour of Juno Lucina. Hence Horace says, "*Martiis caelebs quid agam Kalendis.*"

MATRIMONIUM, NUPTIAE, (γάμος), marriage. 1. GREEK. The ancient Greek legislators considered the relation of marriage as a matter not merely of private, but also of public or general interest. This was particularly the case at Sparta, where proceedings might be taken against those who married too late or unsuitably, as well as against those who did not marry at all.

But independent of public considerations, there were also private or personal reasons, peculiar to the ancients, which made marriage an obligation. One of these was the duty incumbent upon every individual to provide for a continuance of representatives to succeed himself as ministers of the Divinity; and another was the desire felt by almost every one, not merely to perpetuate his own name, but to leave some one who might make the customary offerings at his grave. We are told that with this view childless persons sometimes adopted children.

The choice of a wife among the ancients was but rarely grounded upon affection, and scarcely ever could have been the result of previous acquaintance or familiarity. In many cases a father chose for his son a bride whom the latter had never seen, or compelled him to marry for the sake of checking his extravagances.

By the Athenian laws a citizen was not allowed to marry with a foreign woman, nor conversely, under very severe penalties, but proximity by blood (*ἀγχιστεία*), or consanguinity (*συγγένεια*), was not, with some few exceptions, a bar to marriage in any part of Greece; direct lineal descent was.

At Athens the most important preliminary to marriage was the betrothal (*ἐγγήνησις*), which was in fact indispensable to the com-

plete validity of a marriage contract. It was made by the natural or legal guardian (*ὁ κύριος*) of the bride elect, and attended by the relatives of both parties as witnesses. The wife's dowry was settled at the betrothal.

On the day before the *gamos*, or marriage, or sometimes on the day itself, certain sacrifices or offerings (*προτέλεια γάμων* or *προγάμεια*) were made to the gods who presided over marriage. Another ceremony of almost general observance on the wedding day, was the bathing of both the bride and bridegroom in water fetched from some particular fountain, whence, as some think, the custom of placing the figure of a *λυντροφόρος* or "water carrier" over the tombs of those who died unmarried. After these preliminaries, the bride was generally conducted from her father's to the house of the bridegroom at nightfall, in a chariot (*ἐφ' ἀμάξης*) drawn by a pair of mules or oxen, and furnished with a kind of couch (*κλινίς*) as a seat. On either side of her sat the bridegroom and one of his most intimate friends or relations, who from his office was called the *παράνημψ* (*παρόνυμφος* or *νυμφευτής*); but as he rode in the carriage (*ὄχημα*) with the bride and bridegroom, he was sometimes called the *πάροχος*.

The nuptial procession was probably accompanied, according to circumstances, by a number of persons, some of whom carried the nuptial torches. Both bride and bridegroom (the former veiled) were decked out in their best attire, with chaplets on their heads, and the doors of their houses were hung with festoons of ivy and bay. As the bridal procession moved along, the hymeneae song was sung to the accompaniment of Lydian flutes, even in olden times, as beautifully described by Homer, and the married pair received the greetings and congratulations of those who met them. After entering the bridegroom's house, into which the bride was probably conducted by his mother, bearing a lighted torch, it was customary to shower sweetmeats upon them (*κατασφύματα*), as emblems of plenty and prosperity.

After this came the nuptial feast, to which the name *gamos* was particularly applied; it was generally given in the house of the bridegroom or his parents; and besides being a festive meeting, served other and more important purposes. There was no public rite, whether civil or religious, connected with the celebration of marriage amongst the ancient Greeks, and therefore no public record of its solemnization. This deficiency then was supplied by the marriage feast, for the guests were of course competent to prove the fact of a marriage having taken place. To this feast,

contrary to the usual practice amongst the Greeks, women were invited as well as men; but they seem to have sat at a separate table, with the bride still veiled amongst them. At the conclusion of this feast, she was conducted by her husband into the bridal chamber; and a law of Solon required that on entering it they should eat a quince together, as if to indicate that their conversation ought to be sweet and agreeable. The song called the *Epithalamium* was then sung before the doors of the bridal chamber.

The day after the marriage, the first of the bride's residence in her new abode, was called the *epaulia* (ἐπαύλια); on which their friends sent the customary presents to the newly married couple. On another day, the *apaulia* (ἀπαύλια), perhaps the second after marriage, the bridegroom left his house, to lodge apart from his wife at his father's-in-law. Some of the presents made to the bride by her husband and friends were called *anacalypteria* (ἀνακαλυπτῆρια), as being given on the occasion of the bride first appearing unveiled: they were probably given on the *epaulia*, or day after the marriage. Another ceremony observed after marriage was the sacrifice which the husband offered up on the occasion of his bride being registered amongst his own phratores.

The above account refers to Athenian customs. At Sparta the betrothal of the bride by her father or guardian (κύριος) was requisite as a preliminary of marriage, as well as at Athens. Another custom peculiar to the Spartans, and a relic of ancient times, was the seizure of the bride by her intended husband, but of course with the sanction of her parents or guardians. She was not, however, immediately domiciled in her husband's house, but cohabited with him for some time clandestinely, till he brought her, and frequently her mother also, to his home.

The Greeks, generally speaking, entertained little regard for the female character. They considered women, in fact, as decidedly inferior to men, qualified to discharge only the subordinate functions in life, and rather necessary as helpmates than agreeable as companions. To these notions female education for the most part corresponded, and in fact confirmed them; it did not supply the elegant accomplishment and refinement of manners which permanently engage the affections when other attractions have passed away. Aristotle states, that the relation of man to woman is that of the governor to the subject; and Plato, that a woman's virtue may be summed up in a few words, for she has only to manage the house well, keeping what there is in it, and obeying her husband. Among the

Dorians, however, and especially at Sparta, women enjoyed much more estimation than in the rest of Greece.

2. ROMAN. A legal Roman marriage was called *justae nuptiae*, *justum matrimonium*, as being conformable to *jus* (civil) or to law. A legal marriage was either *Cum conventione uxoris in manum viri*, or it was without this conventio. But both forms of marriage agreed in this: there must be connubium between the parties, and consent. The legal consequences as to the power of the father over his children were the same in both.

Connubium is merely a term which comprehends all the conditions of a legal marriage. Generally it may be stated, that there was only connubium between Roman citizens; the cases in which it at any time existed between parties not both Roman citizens, were exceptions to the general rule. Originally, or at least at one period of the republic, there was no connubium between the patricians and the plebeians; but this was altered by the Lex Canuleia (B. C. 445), which allowed connubium between persons of those two classes.

There were various degrees of consanguinity and affinity, within which there was no connubium.

An illegal union of a male and female, though affecting to be, was not a marriage: the man had no legal wife, and the children had no legal father: consequently they were not in the power of their reputed father.

The marriage *Cum conventione* differed from that *Sine conventione*, in the relationship which it effected between the husband and the wife; the marriage *cum conventione* was a necessary condition to make a woman a *materfamilias*. By the marriage *cum conventione*, the wife passed into the familia of her husband, and was to him in the relation of a daughter, or, as it was expressed, *in manum convenit*. In the marriage *sine conventione*, the wife's relation to her own familia remained as before, and she was merely *uxor*. "*Uxor*," says Cicero, "is a genus of which there are two species; one is *materfamilias*, *quae in manum convenit*; the other is *uxor* only." Accordingly, a *materfamilias* is a wife who is in *Manu*, and in the familia of her husband. A wife not in *manu* was not a member of her husband's familia, and therefore the term could not apply to her. *Matrona* was properly a wife not in *manu*, and equivalent to *uxor*; and she was called *matrona* before she had any children. But these words are not always used in these their original and proper meanings.

It does not appear that any forms were requisite in the marriage *sine conventione*; and apparently the evidence of such marriage was

cohabitation matrimonii causa. The matrimonii causa might be proved by various kinds of evidence.

In the case of a marriage cum conventione, there were three forms: 1. *Usus*, 2. *Farreum*, and 3. *Coemptio*.

1. Marriage was effected by *usus*, if a woman lived with a man for a whole year as his wife; and this was by analogy to usucaption of movables generally, in which *usus* for one year gave ownership. The law of the Twelve Tables provided that if a woman did not wish to come into the manus of her husband in this manner, she should absent herself from him annually for three nights (*trinoctium*) and so break the *usus* of the year.

2. *Farreum* was a form of marriage, in which certain words were used in the presence of ten witnesses, and were accompanied by a certain religious ceremony, in which panis farreus was employed; and hence this form of marriage was also called *confarreatio*. It appears that certain priestly offices such as that of *Flamen Dialis*, could only be held by those who were born of parents who had been married by this ceremony (*confarreati parentes*).

3. *Coemptio* was effected by *mancipatio*, and consequently the wife was in *mancipio*. [MANCIPIMUM.] A woman who was cohabiting with a man as *uxor*, might come into his manus by this ceremony, in which case the *coemptio* was said to be *matrimonii causa*, and she who was formerly *uxor* became *apud maritum filiae loco*.

Sponsalia were not an unusual preliminary of marriage, but they were not necessary. The *sponsalia* were an agreement to marry, made in such form as to give each party a right of action in case of non-performance, and the offending party was condemned in such damages as to the *iudex* seemed just. The woman who was promised in marriage was accordingly called *sponsa*, which is equivalent to *promissa*; the man who was engaged to marry was called *sponsus*. The *sponsalia* were of course not binding, if the parties consented to waive the contract. Sometimes a present was made by the future husband to the future wife by way of earnest (*arraha*, *arraha sponsalitia*), or, as it was called, *propter nuptias donatio*.

The consequences of marriage were—

1. The power of the father over the children of the marriage, which was a completely new relation, an effect indeed of marriage, but one which had no influence over the relation of the husband and wife. [PATRIA POTESTAS.]

2. The liabilities of either of the parties to the punishments affixed to the violation of

the marriage union. [ADULTERIUM; DIVORTIUM.]

3. The relation of husband and wife with respect to property. [DOS.]

When marriage was dissolved, the parties to it might marry again; but opinion considered it more decent for a woman not to marry again. A woman was required by usage (*mos*) to wait a year before she contracted a second marriage, on the pain of *infamia*.

It remains to describe the customs and rites which were observed by the Romans at marriages. After the parties had agreed to marry and the persons in whose potestas they were had consented, a meeting of friends was sometimes held at the house of the maiden for the purpose of settling the marriage-contract, which was written on tablets, and signed by both parties. The woman after she had promised to become the wife of a man was called *sponsa, pacta, dicta*, or *sperata*. It appears that, at least during the imperial period, the man put a ring on the finger of his betrothed, as a pledge of his fidelity. This ring was probably, like all rings at this time, worn on the left hand, and on the finger nearest to the smallest. The last point to be fixed was the day on which the marriage was to take place.

The Romans believed that certain days were unfortunate for the performance of the marriage rites, either on account of the religious character of those days themselves, or on account of the days by which they were followed, as the woman had to perform certain religious rites on the day after her wedding, which could not take place on a *dies ater*. Days not suitable for entering upon matrimony were the *calends*, *nones*, and *ides* of every month, all *dies atri*, the whole months of May and February, and a great number of festivals.

On the wedding-day, which in the early times was never fixed upon without consulting the auspices, the bride was dressed in a long white robe with a purple fringe, or adorned with ribands. This dress was called *tunica recta*, and was bound round the waist with a girdle (*corona*, *cingulum*, or *zona*), which the husband had to untie in the evening. The bridal veil, called *flammeum*, was of a bright yellow colour, and her shoes likewise. Her hair was divided on this occasion with the point of a spear.

The bride was conducted to the house of her husband in the evening. She was taken with apparent violence from the arms of her mother, or of the person who had to give her away. On her way she was accompanied

by three boys dressed in the *praetexta*, and whose fathers and mothers were still alive (*patrini et matrimi*). One of them carried before her a torch of white thorn (*spina*), or, according to others, of pine wood; the two others walked by her side, supporting her by the arm. The bride herself carried a distaff and a spindle, with wool. A boy called *camillus* carried in a covered vase (*cumera*, *cumerum*, or *camillum*) the so-called utensils of the bride and playthings for children (*crepundia*). Besides these persons who officiated on the occasion, the procession was attended by a numerous train of friends, both of the bride and the bridegroom.

When the procession arrived at the house of the bridegroom, the door of which was adorned with garlands and flowers, the bride was carried across the threshold by *pronubi*, i. e. men who had been married to only one woman, that she might not knock against it with her foot, which would have been an evil omen. Before she entered the house, she wound wool around the door-posts of her new residence, and anointed them with lard (*adeps suillus*) or wolf's fat (*adeps lupinus*). The husband received her with fire and water, which the woman had to touch. This was either a symbolic purification, or a symbolic expression of welcome, as the *interdicere aqua et igni* was the formula for banishment. The bride saluted her husband with the words: *ubi tu Caius, ego Caia*. After she had entered the house with distaff and spindle, she was placed upon a sheep-skin, and here the keys of the house were delivered into her hands. A repast (*coena nuptialis*) given by the husband to the whole train of relatives and friends who accompanied the bride, generally concluded the solemnity of the day. Many ancient writers mention a very popular song, *Talasius* or *Talassio*, which was sung at weddings; but whether it was sung during the repast or during the procession is not quite clear, though we may infer from the story respecting the origin of the song, that it was sung whilst the procession was advancing towards the house of the husband.

It may easily be imagined that a solemnity like that of marriage did not take place among the merry and humorous Italians without a variety of jests and raileries, and Ovid mentions obscene songs which were sung before the door of the bridal apartment by girls, after the company had left. These songs were probably the old *Fescennina* [*FESCENNINA*], and are frequently called *Epithalamia*. At the end of the repast the bride was conducted by matrons who had not had more than one

husband (*pronubae*), to the lectus genialis in the atrium, which was on this occasion magnificently adorned and strewed with flowers. On the following day the husband sometimes gave another entertainment to his friends, which was called *repotia*, and the woman, who on this day undertook the management of the house of her husband, had to perform certain religious rites; on which account, as was observed above, it was necessary to select a day for the marriage which was not followed by a dies ater. These rites probably consisted of sacrifices to the *Dii Penates*.

The position of a Roman woman after marriage was very different from that of a Greek woman. The Roman presided over the whole household; she educated her children, watched over and preserved the honour of the house, and as the *materfamilias* she shared the honours and respect shown to her husband. Far from being confined like the Greek women to a distinct apartment, the Roman matron, at least during the better centuries of the republic, occupied the most important part of the house, the atrium.

MASKS. [*PERSONA*.]

MAUSOLE'UM. [FONUS, p. 163.]

MASTS OF SHIPS. [ANTENNA; NAVIS.]

MEALS, Greek, [*DEIPNON*]; Roman, [*COENA*.]

MEASURES of length. [*PES*; *JUGERUM*]; of capacity, [*METRETES*; *MEDIMNUS*; *MODIUS*; *SEXTARIUS*.]

MEDIMNUS (*μέδιμνος*), the principal dry measure of the Greeks. It was used especially for measuring corn. The Attic medimnus was equal to six Roman modii.

The medimnus contained 11 galls. 7.1456 pints, Eng. It was divided into the following parts:—

	each	=	Galls.	Pts.
6 ἔκτοι	"	"	1	7.8576
12 ἡμιεκτα	" . . .	"	"	7.9288
48 χοίνικες	" . . .	"	"	1.9822
96 ξέσται	" . . .	"	"	.9911
192 κοτύλαι	" . . .	"	"	.4955

of which the *χοίνιξ*, *ξέστης*, and *κοτύλη*, and their further subdivisions, were common to the dry and fluid measures, but the *χοίνιξ* was of different sizes. [*METRETES*; *CHOENIX*; *XESTES*; *COTYLA*.]

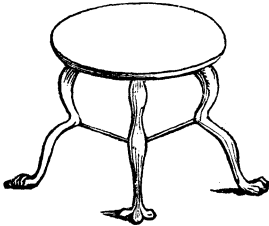
MEGALE'SIA, MEGALENSIA, or MEGALENSES LUDI, a festival with games, celebrated at Rome in the month of April and in honour of the great mother of the gods (*Cybelé*, *μεγάλη θεός*, whence the festival derived its name). The statue of the goddess was brought to Rome from Pessinus in B. C. 203, and the day of its arrival was solemnized

with a magnificent procession, lectisternia, and games, and great numbers of people carried presents to the goddess on the Capitol. The regular celebration of the Megalesia, however, did not begin till twelve years later (B. C. 191), when the temple, which had been vowed and ordered to be built in B. C. 203, was completed and dedicated by M. Junius Brutus. The festival lasted for six days, beginning on the 4th of April. The season of this festival, like that of the whole month in which it took place, was full of general rejoicings and feasting. It was customary for the wealthy Romans on this occasion to invite one another mutually to their repasts.

The games which were held at the Megalesia were purely scenic, and not circenses. They were at first held on the Palatine, in front of the temple of the goddess, but afterwards also in the theatres. The day which was especially set apart for the performance of scenic plays was the third of the festival. Slaves were not permitted to be present at the games, and the magistrates appeared dressed in a purple toga and praetexta, whence the proverb, *purpura Megalensis*. The games were under the superintendence of the curule aediles, and we know that four of the extant plays of Terence were performed at the Megalesia.

MEMBRANA. [LIBER.]

MENSA (*τράπεζα*), a table. The simplest kind of table was a round one with three legs, called in Greek *τρίπους*. It is shown in the drinking scene painted on the wall of a wine shop at Pompeii, and is represented in the annexed woodcut. Tables, however, must



usually have had four legs, as the etymology of *τράπεζα*, the common word for table, indicates. For the houses of the opulent, tables were made of the most valuable and beautiful kinds of wood, especially of maple, or of the citrus of Africa, which was a species of cypress or juniper.

As the table was not large, it was usual to place the dishes and the various kinds of meat

upon it, and then to bring it thus furnished to the place where the guests were reclining. On many occasions, indeed, each guest either had a small table to himself, or the company was divided into parties of two or three, with a separate table for each party, as is distinctly represented in the cut under SYMPOSIUM. Hence we have such phrases as *mensam apponere* or *opponere*, and *mensam auferre* or *removere*.

The two principal courses of a *deipnon* and *coena*, or a Greek and Roman dinner, were called respectively *πρώτη τράπεζα*, *δευτέρα τράπεζα*, and *mensa prima*, *mensa secunda*. [COENA; DEIPNON.]

MENSA'RII, MENSULA'RII, or NUMULARII, a kind of public bankers at Rome who were appointed by the state; they were distinct from the *argentarii*, who were common bankers, and did business on their own account. [ARGENTARII.] The *mensarii* had their tables or banks (*mensae*) like ordinary bankers, in the forum, and in the name of the *aerarium* they offered ready money to debtors who could give security to the state for it. Such an expediency was devised by the state only in times of great distress. The first time that *mensarii* (*quinqueviri mensarii*) were appointed was in B. C. 352, at the time when the plebeians were so deeply involved in debt, that they were obliged to borrow money from new creditors in order to pay the old ones, and thus ruined themselves completely. On this occasion they were also authorized to ordain that cattle or land should be received as payment at a fair valuation. With the exception of this first time, they appear during the time of the republic to have always been *triumviri mensarii*. One class of *mensarii*, however, (perhaps an inferior order), the *mensularii* or *numularii*, seem to have been permanently employed by the state, and these must be meant when we read, that not only the *aerarium* but also private individuals, deposited in their hands sums of money which they had to dispose of.

MENSIS. [CALENDARIIUM.]

MERENDA. [COENA.]

METAE. [CIRCUS, p. 80.]

METALLUM. [VECTIGALIA.]

METOICI (*μέτοικοι*), the name by which, at Athens and in other Greek states, the *resident aliens* were designated. They must be distinguished from such strangers as made only a transitory stay in a place, for it was a characteristic of a *metoicus*, that he resided permanently in the city. No city of Greece perhaps had such a number of resident aliens as Athens, since none afforded to strangers so many facilities for carrying on mercantile

business or a more agreeable mode of living. In the census instituted by Demetrius Phalareus (B. C. 309), the number of resident aliens at Athens was 10,000, in which number women and children were probably not included. The jealousy with which the citizens of the ancient Greek republics kept their body clear of intruders, is also manifested in their regulations concerning aliens. However long they might have resided in Athens, they were always regarded as strangers, whence they are sometimes called *ξένοι*, and to remind them of their position, they had on some occasions to perform certain degrading services for the Athenian citizens [HYDRIAPHORIA]. These services were, however, in all probability not intended to hurt the feelings of the aliens, but were simply acts symbolical of their relation to the citizens.

Aliens were not allowed to acquire landed property in the state they had chosen for their residence, and were consequently obliged to live in hired houses or apartments. As they did not constitute a part of the state, and were yet in constant intercourse and commerce with its members, every alien was obliged to select a citizen for his patron (*προστάτης*), who was not only the mediator between them and the state, through whom alone they could transact any legal business, whether private or public, but was at the same time answerable (*εγγυητής*) to the state for the conduct of his client. On the other hand, however, the state allowed the aliens to carry on all kinds of industry and commerce under the protection of the law; in fact, at Athens nearly all business was in the hands of aliens, who on this account lived for the most part in the Peiræus.

Each family of aliens, whether they availed themselves of the privilege of carrying on any mercantile business or not, had to pay an annual tax (*μετοίκιον* or *ξενικά*) of twelve drachmæ, or if the head of the family was a widow, of only six drachmæ. If aliens did not pay this tax, or if they assumed the right of citizens, and probably also in case they refused to select a patron, they not only forfeited the protection of the state, but were sold as slaves. Extraordinary taxes and liturgies (*εὐφοραί* and *λειτουργίαι*) devolved upon aliens no less than upon citizens. The aliens were also obliged, like citizens, to serve in the regular armies and in the fleet, both abroad and at home, for the defence of the city. Those aliens who were exempt from the burthens peculiar to their class were called *ισοτέλες* (*ισοτέλεις*). They had not to pay the *μετοίκιον* (*ἀτέλεια μετοίκιον*), were not obliged to choose a *προστάτης*, and in fact enjoyed

all the rights of citizens, except those of a political nature. Their condition was termed *ισοτέλεια*, and *ισοπολιτεία*.

METRETES (*μετρήτης*), the principal Greek liquid measure. The Attic metretes was equal in capacity to the amphora, containing 8 galls. 7.365 pints, English. [AMPHORA.] It was divided into

		Galls.	Pts.
1 ἡκεράμια,	each =	5	7.577
12 χοῦς	" . .	"	5.9471
48 χοῖνικες	" . .	"	1.4867
72 ξέσται	" . .	"	.9911
144 κοτύλαι	" . .	"	.4955

[See CHOUS; CHOENIX; XESTES; COTYLA.]

METROPOL S. [COLONIA, p. 100.]

MILIARE, MILLIARIUM, or MILLE PASSUUM (*μῖλιον*), the Roman mile, consisted of 1000 paces (*passus*) of 5 feet each, and was therefore = 5000 feet. Taking the Roman foot at 11.6496 English inches [PES], the Roman mile would be 1618 English yards, or 142 yards less than the English statute mile. The most common term for the mile is *mille passuum*, or only the initials M. P.; sometimes the word *passuum* is omitted. The Roman mile contained 8 Greek stadia.

The mile-stones along the Roman roads were called *milliaria*. They were also called *lapides*; thus we have *ad tertium lapidem* (or without the word *lapidem*) for 3 miles from Rome. Augustus erected a gilt pillar in the Forum, where the principal roads terminated, which was called *milliarium aureum*; but the miles were not reckoned from it, but from the gates of the city. Such central marks appear to have been common in the principal cities of the Roman empire. The "London stone" in Cannon-street is supposed to have marked the centre of the Roman roads in Britain.

MIMUS (*μῖμος*), the name by which, in Greece and at Rome, a species of the drama was designated, though the Roman mimus differed essentially from the Greek.

The Greek mimus seems to have originated among the Greeks of Sicily and southern Italy, and to have consisted originally of extemporary representations or imitations of ridiculous occurrences of common life at certain festivals. At a later period these rude representations acquired a more artistic form, which was brought to a high degree of perfection by Sophron of Syracuse (about B. C. 420). He wrote his pieces in the popular dialect of the Dorians and a kind of rhythmical prose.

Among the Romans the word *mimus* was applied to a species of dramatic plays as well as to the persons who acted in them. It is certain that the Romans did not derive their

mimus from the Greeks in southern Italy, but that it was of native growth. The Greek mimes were written in prose, and the name *μῖμος* was never applied to an actor, but if used of a person it signified one who made grimaces. The Roman mimes were imitations of foolish and mostly indecent occurrences, and scarcely differed from comedy except in consisting more of gestures and mimicry than of spoken dialogue. At Rome such mimes seem originally to have been exhibited at funerals, where one or more persons (*mimi*) represented in a burlesque manner the life of the deceased. If there were several *mimi*, one of them, or their leader, was called *archimimus*.

These coarse and indecent performances had greater charms for the Romans than the regular drama. They were performed on the stage as farces after tragedies, and during the empire they gradually supplanted the place of the Atellanæ. It was peculiar to the actors in these mimes, to wear neither masks, the cothurnus, nor the soccus, whence they are sometimes called *planipedes*.

MINA. [TALENTUM.]

MINES. [VECTIGALIA.]

MINOR. [CURATOR; INFANS.]

MINT. [MONETA.]

MIRMILLONES. [GLADIATORES]

MISSIO, the technical term used by the Romans to express the dismissal of soldiers from service in the army. There were three kinds of *missio*:—1. *Missio honesta*, which was given to soldiers who had served the legitimate number of years; 2. *Missio causaria*, which was granted to soldiers who could no longer bear the fatigue of military service on account of ill health; and 3. *Missio ignominiosa*, by which a man was excluded from the service in the army for crime or other bad conduct.

As regards the *missio honesta*, it was granted by the law to every soldier who had attained the age of 46, or who had taken part in 20 campaigns, and to every horseman who had served in ten campaigns. The legitimate time of service was called *legitima stipendia*.

The *missio ignominiosa* or *cum ignominia* was inflicted as a punishment not only upon individuals, but upon whole divisions and even whole legions of an army, and it might be applied to the highest officers no less than to common soldiers. In dismissing soldiers for bad conduct, it was generally expressed that they were sent away *cum ignominia*, but sometimes the ignominia was not expressly mentioned, though it was understood as a matter of course.

In all cases of *missio* it was necessary to

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release the soldiers from the military oath (*sacramentum*) which they had taken on entering the service. The act was called *exactoratio*. During the time of the republic and the earlier part of the empire, the word *exactorare* simply signified to release from the military oath, without implying that this was done *cum ignominia*; but during the latter period of the empire, it is almost exclusively applied to soldiers dismissed *cum ignominia*.

MISSIO. [GLADIATORES, p. 167.]

MITRA, (*μίτρα*). 1. An eastern head-dress, sometimes spoken of as characteristic



Mitras, Female Head-Dresses.

of the Phrygians. It was also the name of a head-band or head-dress worn by Greek women, which was made of close materials. It must be distinguished from the *κεκρύφαλος*, or *reticulum*, made of net. [RETICULUM.] 2. A belt. [ZONA.]

MODIUS, the principal dry measure of the Romans, was equal to one-third of the amphora, and therefore contained one gall. 7.8576 pints English. It was divided into

	Pints.
2 semimodii, or semodii, each	= 7.9288
16 sextarii	.9911
32 heminae	.4955
64 quartarii	.2477
128 acetabula	.1238
192 cyathi	.0825
768 lingulae	.0206

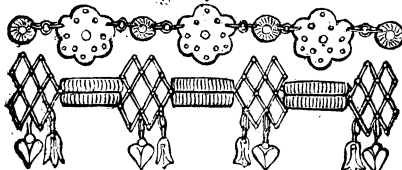
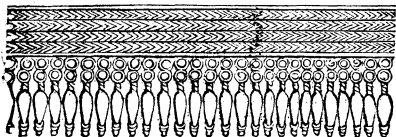
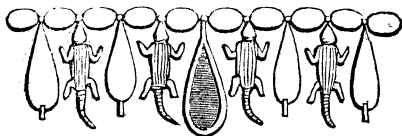
The modius was one-sixth of the medimnus.

MONETA, the mint, or the place where

money was coined. The mint of Rome was a building on the Capitoline, and attached to the temple of Juno Moneta, as the aerarium was to the temple of Saturn. The officers who had the superintendence of the mint were the *Triumviri Monetales*, who were perhaps first appointed about B.C. 269. Under the republic, the coining of money was not a privilege which belonged exclusively to the state. The coins struck in the time of the republic mostly bear the names of private individuals; and it would seem that every Roman citizen had the right of having his own gold and silver coined in the public mint, and under the superintendence of its officers. Still no one till the time of the empire had the right of putting his own image upon a coin: Julius Caesar was the first to whom this privilege was granted.

MONEY. [AES; ARGENTUM; AURUM.]

MONILE (*ὄρμος*), a necklace. Necklaces were worn by both sexes among the most polished of those nations which the Greeks called barbarous, especially the Indians, the Egyptians, and the Persians. Greek and Roman females adopted them more particularly as a bridal ornament. They were of various forms, as may be seen by the following specimens:—



Monilia, Necklaces.

MYSTERIA.

MONTHS. [CALENDARIUM.]

MONUMENTUM. [FUNUS, p. 159.]

MOSAICS. [DOMUS, p. 127.]

MOURNING for the dead. [FUNUS.]

MULSUM. [VINUM.]

MUNERATOR. [GLADIATORES.]

MUNICEPS, MUNICIPIUM. [COLONIA; FOEDERATAE CIVITATES.]

MUNUS. [HONORES.]

MUNUS. [GLADIATORES.]

MURALIS CORONA. [CORONA.]

MUSCULUS was a kind of vinea, one of the smaller military machines, by which the besiegers of a town were protected.

MUSEUM (*μυσεῖον*), the name of an institution founded by Ptolemy Philadelphus, about B. C. 280, for the promotion of learning and the support of learned men. The museum formed part of the palace, and contained cloisters or porticoes (*περίπατος*), a public theatre or lecture-room (*ἐξέδρα*), and a large hall (*οἶκος μέγας*), where the learned men dined together. The museum was supported by a common fund, supplied apparently from the public treasury; and the whole institution was under the superintendence of a priest, who was appointed by the king, and after Egypt became a province of the Roman empire, by the Caesar. Botanical and zoological gardens appear to have been attached to the museum.

MYSTERIA. The names by which mysteries or mystic festivals were designated in Greece, are *μυστήρια*, *τελεταί*, or *ὄργια*. The name *ὄργια* (from *ὄργα*) originally signified only sacrifices accompanied by certain ceremonies, but it was afterwards applied especially to the ceremonies observed in the worship of Bacchus, and at a still later period to mysteries in general. *Τελετή* signifies, in general, a religious festival, but more particularly a lustration or ceremony performed in order to avert some calamity, either public or private. *Μυστήριον* signifies, properly speaking, the secret part of the worship, but it was also used in the same sense as *τελετή*, and for mystic worship in general.

Mysteries in general may be defined as sacrifices and ceremonies which took place at night or in secret within some sanctuary, which the uninitiated were not allowed to enter. What was essential to them, were objects of worship, sacred utensils, and traditions with their interpretation, which were withheld from all persons not initiated.

The most celebrated mysteries in Greece were those of Samothrace and Eleusis, which are described in separate articles. [CABEIRIA; ELEUSINIA.]

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NAE'NIA. [FUNUS, p. 161.]

NAMES. [NOMEN.]

NATA'TIO, NATATORIUM. [BALNEUM, p. 49.]

NAVA'LIA, docks at Rome where ships were built, laid up, and refitted. They were attached to the emporium outside of the Porta Trigemina, and were connected with the Tiber. The emporium and navalia were first included within the walls of the city by Aurelian.

The docks (*νεώσοικοι* or *νεώρια*) in the Peiræus at Athens cost 1000 talents, and having been destroyed in the anarchy by the contractors for three talents, were again restored and finally completed by Lycurgus. They were under the superintendence of regular officers, called *ἐπιμεληταὶ τῶν νεωρίων*.

NAVALIS CORONA. [CORONA.]

NAVARCHUS (*ναύαρχος*), the name by which the Greeks designated both the captain of a single ship, and the admiral of a fleet. The office itself was called *ναυαρχία*. The admiral of the Athenian fleet was always one of the ten generals (*στρατηγοί*) elected every year, and he had either the whole or the chief command of the fleet. The chief officers who served under him were the trierarchs and the pentecontarchs, each of whom commanded one vessel; the inferior officers in the vessels were the *κυβερνήται* or helmsmen, the *κελευσταί* or commanders of the rowers, and the *πρωῦται*, who must have been employed at the prow of the vessels.

Other Greek states who kept a navy had likewise their navarchs. The chief admiral of the Spartan fleet was called navarchus, and the second in command *epistoleus* (*ἐπιστολεύς*). The same person was not allowed to hold the office of navarchus two successive years at Sparta. [EPISTOLEUS.]

NAUCRA'RIA (*ναυκραρία*), the name of a division of the inhabitants of Attica. The four ancient phylæ were each divided into three phratries, and each of these twelve phratries into four naucraries, of which there were thus forty-eight. What the naucraries were previous to the legislation of Solon is not stated anywhere, but it is not improbable that they were political divisions similar to the demes in the constitution of Clisthenes, and were made perhaps at the time of the institution of the nine archons, for the purpose of regulating the liturgies, taxes, or financial and military affairs in general. At any rate, however, the naucraries before the time of Solon can have had no connection with the navy, for the Athenians then had no navy;

the word *ναύκραρος* therefore cannot be derived from *ναῦς*, ship, but must come from *ναῶν*, and *ναύκραρος* is thus only another form for *ναυκλήρος* in the sense of a householder, as *ναῦλον* was used for the rent of a house.

Solon in his legislation retained the old institution of the naucraries, and charged each of them with the equipment of one trireme and with the mounting of two horsemen. All military affairs, as far as regards the defraying of expenses, probably continued as before to be regulated according to naucraries. Clisthenes, in his change of the Solonian constitution, retained the division into naucraries for military and financial purposes; but he increased their number to fifty, making five for each of his ten tribes; so that now the number of their ships was increased from forty-eight to fifty, and that of horsemen from ninety-six to one hundred. The statement of Herodotus, that the Athenians in their war against Aegina had only fifty ships of their own, is thus perfectly in accordance with the fifty naucraries of Clisthenes. The functions of the former *ναύκραροι*, or the heads of their respective naucraries, were now transferred to the demarchs. [DEMARCHI.] The obligation of each naucrary to equip a ship of war for the service of the republic may be regarded as the first form of trierarchy. As the system of trierarchy became developed and established, this obligation of the naucraries appears to have gradually ceased, and to have fallen into disuse. [TRIERARCHIA.]

NAVIS, NAVIGIUM (*ναῦς*, *πλοῖον*), a ship.

The numerous fleet with which the Greeks sailed to the coast of Asia Minor in the Trojan war, must on the whole be regarded as sufficient evidence of the extent to which navigation was carried on in those times, however much of the detail in the Homeric description may have arisen from the poet's own imagination. In the Homeric catalogue it is stated that each of the fifty Boeotian ships carried 120 warriors, and a ship which carried so many cannot have been of small dimensions. What Homer states of the Boeotian vessels applies more or less to the ships of other Greeks. These boats were provided with a mast (*ιστός*), which was fastened by two ropes (*πρότοναι*) to the two ends of the ship, so that when the rope connecting it with the prow broke, the mast would fall towards the stern, where it might kill the helmsman. The mast could be erected or taken down as necessity required. They also had sails (*ιστία*), but only a half-deck. Each vessel, however, appears to have had only one sail, which was used in favourable winds; and the prin-

cial means of propelling the vessel lay in the rowers, who sat upon benches (*κλῆιδες*). The oars were fastened to the side of the ship with leathern thongs, in which they were turned as a key in its hole. The ships in Homer are mostly called black (*μέλαιναι*), probably because they were painted or covered with a black substance, such as pitch, to protect the wood against the influence of the water and the air; sometimes other colours, such as *μίλτος*, *minium* (a red colour), were used to adorn the sides of the ships near the prow, whence Homer occasionally calls ships *μυλτοπάρροι*, i.e. red-cheeked; they were also painted occasionally with a purple colour (*φονικοπάρροι*). When the Greeks had landed on the coast of Troy, the ships were drawn on land, and fastened at the poop with a rope to large stones, which served as anchors [*Ἄνκωρα*]. The Greeks then surrounded the fleet with a fortification, to secure it against the attacks of the enemy. The custom of drawing the ships upon the shore, when they were not used, was followed in later times also. Homer describes in a passage in the *Odyssey* the building of a boat. Ulysses first cuts down with his axe twenty trees, and prepares the wood for his purpose by cutting it smooth and giving it the proper shape. He then bores the holes for nails and hooks, and fits the planks together and fastens them with nails. He rounds the bottom of the ship like that of a broad transport vessel, and raises the bulwark (*ἱκρια*), fitting it upon the numerous ribs of the ship. He afterwards covers the whole of the outside with planks, which are laid across the ribs from the keel upwards to the bulwark; next the mast is made, and the sail-yard attached to it, and lastly the rudder. When the ship is thus far completed, he raises the bulwark still higher by wicker-work, which goes all around the vessel, as a protection against the waves. This raised bulwark of wicker-work and the like was used in later times also. For ballast Ulysses throws into the ship *ὄλη*, which, according to the Scholiast, consisted of wood, stones, and sand. Calypso then brings him materials to make a sail of, and he fastens the *ὑπέραι*, or ropes which run from the top of the mast to the two ends of the yard, and also the *κάλοι*, with which the sail is drawn up or let down. The *πόδες* mentioned in this passage were undoubtedly, as in later times, the ropes attached to the two lower corners of the square-sail. The ship of which the building is thus described was a small boat, a *σχεδία* as Homer calls it; but it had, like all the Homeric ships, a round or flat bottom. Greater ships must have been of a more complicated struc-

ture, as ship-builders are praised as artists. A representation of two boats is given on p. 26, which appear to bear great resemblance to the one described above.

The Corinthians were the first who brought the art of ship-building nearest to the point at which we find it in the time of Thucydides, and they were the first who introduced ships with three ranks of rowers (*τρίηρεις*, *triremes*). About B. C. 700, Ameinocles, the Corinthian, to whom this invention is ascribed, made the Samians acquainted with it; but it must have been preceded by that of the *biremes* (*δίηρεις*), that is, ships with two ranks of rowers, which Pliny attributes to the Erythraeans. These innovations, however, do not seem to have been generally adopted for a long time; for we read that about the time of Cyrus (B. C. 550), the Phocaeans introduced ships with long and sharp keels, called *πεντηκόντοροι*. These belonged to the class of long ships of war (*νῆες μακραί*), and had fifty rowers, twenty-five on each side of the ship, who sat in one row. It is further stated, that before this time vessels called *στρογγύλαι*, with large round or rather flat bottoms, had been used exclusively by all the Ionians in Asia. At this period most Greeks seem to have adopted the long ships with only one rank of rowers on each side; their name varied accordingly as they had fifty, or thirty (*τριακόντορος*), or even a smaller number of rowers.

The first Greek people who acquired a navy of importance were the Corinthians, Samians, and Phocaeans. About the time of Cyrus and Cambyses the Corinthian triremes were generally adopted by the Sicilian tyrants and by the Corcyraeans, who soon acquired the most powerful navies among the Greeks. In other parts of Greece, and even at Athens and in Aegina, the most common vessels about this time were long ships with only one rank of rowers. Athens, although the foundation of its maritime power had been laid by Solon [*Ναυκραρία*], did not obtain a fleet of any importance until the time of Themistocles, who persuaded them to build 200 triremes for the purpose of carrying on the war against Aegina. But even then ships were not provided with complete decks (*καταστρώματα*) covering the whole of the vessel. A complete deck appears to have been an invention of later times. At the same time when Themistocles induced the Athenians to build a fleet of 200 sail, he also carried a decree, that every year twenty new triremes should be built from the produce of the mines of Laurium. After the time of Themistocles as many as twenty triremes must have been built

every year both in times of war and of peace, as the average number of triremes which was always ready was from 300 to 400. Such an annual addition was the more necessary, as the vessels were of a light structure, and did not last long. The whole superintendence of the building of new triremes was in the hands of the senate of the Five Hundred, but the actual business was entrusted to a committee called the *τριηροποιοί*, one of whom acted as their treasurer, and had in his keeping the money set apart for the purpose. Under the Macedonian supremacy the Rhodians became the most important maritime power in Greece, The navy of Sparta was never of great importance.

Navigation remained for the most part what it had been before: the Greeks seldom ventured out into the open sea, and it was generally considered necessary to remain in sight of the coast or of some island, which also served as guides in the daytime: in the night, the position and the rising and setting of the different stars, also answered the same purpose. In winter, navigation generally ceased altogether. In cases where it would have been necessary to coast around a considerable extent of country, which was connected with the main land by a narrow neck, the ships were sometimes drawn across the neck of land from one sea to the other, by machines called *όλκοι*. This was done most frequently across the isthmus of Corinth.

The various kinds of ships used by the Greeks may be divided, according to the number of ranks of rowers employed in them, into *Moneres*, *Biremes*, *Triremes*, *Quadrirèmes*, *Quinqueremes*, &c., up to the enormous ship with forty ranks of rowers, built by Ptolemy Philopator. But all these appear to have been constructed on the same principle, and it is more convenient to divide them into *ships of war* and *ships of burden* (*φορτικά*, *φορτηγοί*, *όλκάδες*, *πλοία*, *στρογγύλαι*, *naves onerariæ*, *naves actuariæ*). Ships of the latter kind were not calculated for quick movement or rapid sailing, but to carry the greatest possible quantity of goods. Hence their structure was bulky, their bottom round, and although they were not without rowers, yet sails were the chief means by which they were propelled.

The most common ships of war, after they had once been generally introduced, were the *Triremes* and they are frequently designated only by the name *νῆες*, while the others are called by the name indicating their peculiar character. Triremes, however, were again divided into two classes: the one consisting of real men-of-war, which were quick sailing vessels (*ταχέϊται*), and the other of transports

either for soldiers (*στρατιώτιδες* or *όπλιταγωγοί*) or for horses (*ίππηγοί*, *ίππαγωγοί*). Ships of the latter class were more heavy and awkward, and were therefore not used in battle except in cases of necessity. The ordinary size of a war galley may be inferred from the fact that the average number of men engaged in it, including the crew and marines, was 200, to whom on some occasions as many as thirty epibatae were added. [ΕΡΙΒΑΤΑΕ.]

Vessels with more than three ranks of rowers were not constructed in Greece till about the year B. C. 400, when Dionysius I., tyrant of Syracuse, who bestowed great care upon his navy, built the first *quadrirèmes* (*τετρήρεις*), and *quinqueremes* (*πεντήρεις*). In the reign of Dionysius II. *hexeres* (*έξήρεις*) are also mentioned. After the time of Alexander the Great the use of vessels with four, five, and more ranks of rowers became very general, and it is well known that the first Punic war was chiefly carried on with quinqueremes. Ships with twelve, thirty, or even forty ranks of rowers, such as were built by Alexander and the Ptolemies, appear to have been mere curiosities, and did not come into common use. The Athenians at first did not adopt vessels larger than triremes, probably because they thought that with rapidity and skill they could do more than with large and unwieldy ships. In B. C. 356 they continued to use nothing but triremes; but in B. C. 330 they had already a number of quadrirèmes. The first quinqueremes at Athens are mentioned in an ancient document belonging to the year B. C. 325. After B. C. 330 the Athenians appear to have gradually ceased building triremes, and to have constructed quadrirèmes instead.

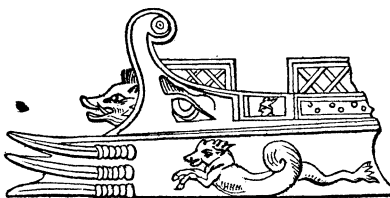
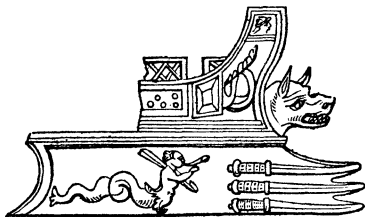
Every vessel at Athens, as in modern times, had a name given to it, which was generally of the feminine gender. The Romans sometimes gave to their ships masculine names. The Greek names were either taken from ancient heroines, such as Nausicaa, or they were abstract words, such as *Forethought*, *Safety*, *Guidance*, &c. In many cases the name of the builder was also added.

The Romans had nothing but a very insignificant fleet of triremes up to the time of the first Punic war. They seem first to have built a small fleet in B. C. 311, in the course of the second Samnite war, when *duumviri navales* were first appointed. It was probably connected with the establishment of a colony in the Pontian islands. In B. C. 260, when they saw that without a navy they could not carry on the war against Carthage with any advantage, the senate ordained that a large fleet should be built. Triremes would now have been of no avail against the high-bul-

warked vessels (quinqueremes) of the Carthaginians. But the Romans would have been unable to build others, had not fortunately a Carthaginian quinquereme been wrecked on the coast of Bruttium, and fallen into their hands. This wreck the Romans took as their model, and after it built 120, or according to others 130 ships. From this time forward they continued to keep up a powerful navy. Towards the end of the republic they also increased the size of their ships, and built war-vessels with from six to ten ordines of rowers. The construction of their ships, however, scarcely differed from that of Greek vessels; the only great difference was, that the Roman galleys were provided with a greater variety of destructive engines of war than those of the Greeks. They even erected turres and tabulata upon the decks of their great men-of-war (*naves turritae*), and fought upon them as if they were standing upon the walls of a fortress.

The following is a list of the principal parts of ancient vessels:—

1. *The prow* (πρώρα or μέτωπον, *prota*), or



Rostra, Beaks of Ships.

fore part of the ship, was generally ornamented on both sides with figures, which were either painted upon the sides or laid in. It seems to have been very common to represent an eye on each side of the prow. Upon the prow or fore-deck there was always some emblem (παράσημον, *insigne, figura*), by which the ship was distinguished from others. Just below the prow, and projecting a little above the keel, was the *rostrum* (ἔμβολος, ἔμβολον), or beak, which consisted of a beam, to which were attached sharp and pointed irons, or the head of a ram, and the like. It was used for the purpose of attacking another vessel and of breaking its sides. These beaks were at first always above the water, and visible; afterwards they were attached lower, so that they were invisible, and thus became still more dangerous to other ships. The upper part of the prow was frequently made in the form of a swan's or goose's neck, and hence called *cheniscus* (χηνισκός), and to the extreme part of the prow, whatever it might be, the general name of *acrostolion* (ἀκροστόλιον), was given.

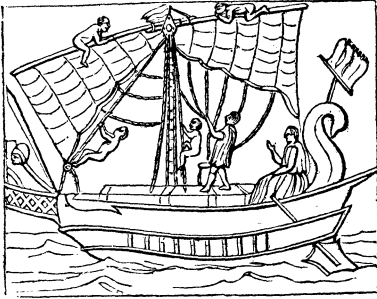
The command in the prow of a vessel was exercised by an officer called *πρωρεύς*, who seems to have been next in rank to the steersman, and to have had the care of the gear, and the command over the rowers.

2. *The stern or poop* (πρύμνη, *puppis*) was generally higher than the other parts of the deck, and in it the helmsman had his elevated seat. It is seen in the representations of ancient vessels to be rounder than the prow, though its extremity is likewise sharp. The stern was, like the prow, adorned in various ways, but especially with the image of the tutelary deity of the vessel (*tutela*). It frequently terminates with an ornament of wooden planks, called *aphlaston* (ἀφλάστον) and *aplustre*, and sometimes it had a *cheniscus*. (See the cut, p. 223.) At the end of the stern was frequently erected a staff or pole, to which a streamer or ribands were attached (*fascia* or *taenia*). In some representations a kind of roof is formed over the head of the steersman.

3. *The bulwark of the vessel* (τράφηξ), or rather the uppermost edge of it. In small boats the pegs (σκαλμοί, *scalmi*), between which the oars move, and to which they are fastened by a thong (τροποστήρ), were upon the τράφηξ. In all other vessels the oars passed through holes in the side of the vessel (ὀφθαλμοί, *τρήματα*, or *τρυνήματα*).

4. The middle part of the deck in most ships of war appears to have been raised above the bulwark, or at least to a level with its upper edge, and thus enabled the soldiers

to occupy a position from which they could see far around, and hurl their darts against the enemy. Such an elevated deck appears in the annexed cut, representing a *Moneris*. In this instance the flag is standing upon the hind-deck.



Moneris.

5. One of the most interesting, as well as important parts in the arrangements of the biremes, triremes, &c., is the position of the ranks of rowers, from which the ships themselves derive their names. Various opinions have been entertained by those who have written upon this subject. Thus much is certain, that the different ranks of rowers, who sat along the sides of a vessel, were placed one above the other. In ordinary vessels, from the moneris up to the quinqueremis, each oar was managed by one man. The rowers sat upon little benches attached to the ribs of the vessel, and called *ἐδῶλια*, and in Latin *fori* and *transtra*. The lowest row of rowers was called *θάλαμος*, the rowers themselves *θαλαμίται* or *θάλαμιοι*. The uppermost ordo of rowers was called *θράνος*, and the rowers themselves *θρανίται*. The middle ordo or ordines of rowers were called *ζύγα*, *ζύγιοι*, or *ζυγίται*.

The gear of a vessel was divided into *wooden* and *hanging gear* (*σκεύη ξύλινα*, and *σκεύη κρεμαστά*).

I. WOODEN GEAR.

1. *Oars* (*κῶπαι*, *remi*). The collective term for oars is *παῖρος*, which properly signified nothing but the blade or flat part of the oar, but was afterwards used as a collective expression for all the oars with the exception of the rudder. The oars varied in size, accordingly as they were used by a lower or higher ordo of rowers, and from the name of the ordo by which they were used, they also received their especial names, viz. *κῶπαι θαλάμιαι*, *ζύγιοι*, and *θρανίτιδες*. Each Athe-

nian trireme had on an average 170 rowers. In a Roman quinquereme, during the first Punic war, the average number of rowers was 300: in later times we even find as many as 400. The lower part of the holes through which the oars passed, appears to have been covered with leather (*ἀσκιμα*), which also extended a little way outside the hole.

2. *The rudder*. [*GUBERNACULUM*.]

3. *Ladders* (*κλιμακίδες*, *scalae*). Each trireme had two wooden ladders.

4. *Poles* or punt poles (*κοντοί*, *conti*). Three of these belonged to every trireme, which were of different lengths.

5. *Parastatae* (*παραστάται*), or supports for the masts. They seem to have been a kind of props placed at the foot of the mast.

6. *The mast* (*ιστός*, *malus*), and *yards* (*κεραταί*, *antennae*). A trireme had two masts, the smaller one of which was usually near the prow. The smaller or foremast was called *ιστός ἀκάτιος*, the larger or mainmast *ιστός μέγας*. The mast-head was called *carchesium*. [*CARCHESUM*.] Respecting the mode in which the yard was affixed to the mast, see *ANTENNA*.

II. HANGING GEAR.

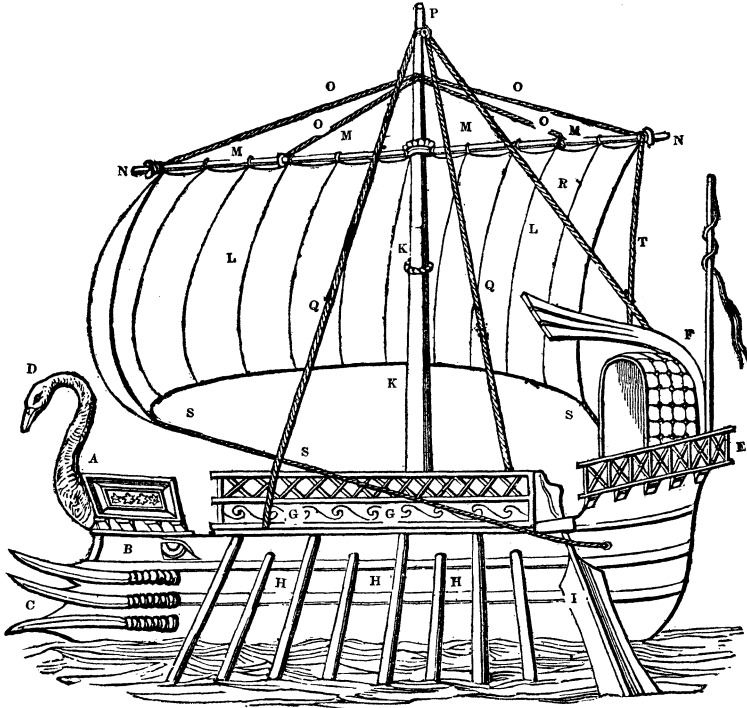
1. *Hypozomata* (*ὑποζώματα*), were thick and broad ropes which ran in a horizontal direction around the ship from the stern to the prow, and were intended to keep the whole fabric together. They ran round the vessel in several circles, and at certain distances from one another. The Latin name for *ὑποζώμα* is *tormentum*. Sometimes they were taken on board when a vessel sailed, and not put on till it was thought necessary. The act of putting them on was called *ὑποζωννύειν* or *διαζωννύειν*, or *ζῶσαι*. A trireme required four *ὑποζώματα*.

2. *The sail* (*ιστίον*, *velum*). Most ancient ships had only one sail, which was attached with the yard to the great mast. In a trireme, too, one sail might be sufficient, but the trierarch might nevertheless add a second. As each of the two masts of a trireme had two sail-yards, it further follows that each mast might have two sails, one of which was placed lower than the other. The two belonging to the mainmast were probably called *ιστία μεγάλα*, and those of the foremast *ιστία ἀκάτια*. The former were used on ordinary occasions, but the latter probably only in cases when it was necessary to sail with extraordinary speed. The sails of the Attic war-galleys, and of most ancient ships in general, were of a square form. Whether triangular sails were ever used by the Greeks, as has been frequently supposed, is very doubtful.

The Romans, however, used triangular sails, which they called *suppara*, and which had the shape of an inverted Greek Δ (▽), the upper side of which was attached to the yard.

3. The cordage (*τοπεία*) differed from the *σχοινία*. The *σχοινία* (*funes*) are the strong ropes to which the anchors were attached, and by which a ship was fastened to the land;

while the *τοπεία* were a lighter kind of ropes and made with greater care, which were attached to the masts, yards, and sails. Each rope of this kind was made for a distinct purpose and place (*τόπος*, whence the name *τοπεία*). The following kinds are most worthy of notice: *a. καλώδια* or *κάλοι*, are the ropes by which the mast was fastened to both



Biremis.

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| A. <i>Prora</i> , πλώρα. | K. <i>Malus</i> , ιστός. |
| B. <i>Oculus</i> , ὀφθαλμός. | L. <i>Velum</i> , ιστίον. |
| C. <i>Rostrum</i> , ἔμβολος. | M. <i>Antenna</i> , κεραία, κέρας. |
| D. <i>Cheniscus</i> , χηνίσκος. | N. <i>Cornua</i> , ἄκροκέραται. |
| E. <i>Puppis</i> , πρύμνη. | O. <i>Ceruchi</i> , κεροῦχοι. |
| F. <i>Aphustre</i> , ἀφλαστον, with the pole containing the fascia or taenia. | P. <i>Carchesium</i> , καρχήσιον. |
| G. <i>τράφης</i> . | Q. <i>κάλοι</i> , καλώδια. |
| H. <i>Κεμὶ</i> , κῶπαι. | R. <i>πρότονος</i> . |
| I. <i>Gubernaculum</i> , πηδάλιον. | S. <i>Pedes</i> , πόδες. |
| | T. <i>Opifera</i> , ὑπέραι. |

sides of the ship, so that the *πρότονι* in the Homeric ships were only an especial kind of *καλώδια*, or the *καλώδια* themselves differently placed. In later times the *πρότονος* was the rope which went from the top of the mainmast to the prow and sometimes the stern of the ship, and thus was what is now called the mainstay. *b. Ceruchi* (*κερούχοι, ἱμάντες*), ropes which ran from the two ends of the sailyard to the top of the mast. In more ancient vessels the *ἱμάς* consisted of only one rope; in later times it consisted of two, and sometimes four, which, uniting at the top of the mast, and there passing through a ring, descended on the other side, where it formed the *ἐπίτονος*, by means of which the sail was drawn up or let down. *c. ἄγκωνα*, Latin *anquina*, the rope which went from the middle of a yard to the top of the mast, and was intended to facilitate the drawing up and letting down of the sail. *d. Πόδες* (*pedes*) were in later times, as in the poems of Homer, the ropes attached to the two lower corners of a square-sail. These *πόδες* ran from the ends of the sail to the sides of the vessel towards the stern, where they were fastened with rings attached to the outer side of the bulwark. *e. Ὑπέραι* were the two ropes attached to the two ends of the sail-yard, and thence came down to a part of the ship near the stern. Their object was to move the yard in a horizontal direction. In Latin they are called *opifera*, which is perhaps only a corruption of *hypera*.

4. *Παραβρύματα*. The ancients as early as the time of Homer had various preparations raised above the edge of a vessel, which were made of skins and wicker-work, and which were intended as a protection against high waves, and also to serve as a kind of breast-work, behind which the men might be safe against the darts of the enemy. These elevations of the bulwark are called *παραβρύματα*. They were probably fixed upon the edge on both sides of the vessel, and were taken off when not wanted. Each galley appears to have had several *παραβρύματα*, two made of hair, and two white ones, these four being regularly mentioned as belonging to one ship.

NAUMA'CHIA, the name given to the representation of a sea-fight among the Romans, and also to the place where such engagements took place. These fights were sometimes exhibited in the circus or amphitheatre, sufficient water being introduced to float ships, but more generally in buildings especially devoted to this purpose.

The combatants in these sea-fights, called *Naumachiarii*, were usually captives, or crim-

inals condemned to death, who fought as in gladiatorial combats, until one party was killed unless preserved by the clemency of the emperor. The ships engaged in the sea-fights were divided into two parties, called respectively by the names of different maritime nations, as Tyrians and Egyptians, Rhodians and Sicilians, Persians and Athenians, Corcyraeans and Corinthians, Athenians and Syracusans, &c. These sea-fights were exhibited with the same magnificence and lavish expenditure of human life as characterized the gladiatorial combats and other public games of the Romans. In Nero's naumachia there were sea-monsters swimming about in the artificial lake. In the sea-fight exhibited by Titus there were 3000 men engaged, and in that exhibited by Domitian the ships were almost equal in number to two real fleets.

NECKLACES. [MONILE.]

NEFASTI DIES. [DIES.]

NEBRIS, a fawn's skin (from *νεβρός*, a fawn) worn originally by hunters and others, as an appropriate part of their dress, and afterwards attributed to Bacchus, and consequently assumed by his votaries in the processions and ceremonies which they observed in honour of him. The annexed woodcut,



Nebris.

taken from Sir William Hamilton's vases, shows a priestess of Bacchus in the attitude of offering a *nebris* to him or to one of his ministers.

NEMEA (*νῆμεα*, *νεμεία*, or *νῆμαϊα*), the Nemean games, one of the four great national festivals of the Greeks. It was held at Nemea, a place near Cleonae in Argolis, and is said to have been originally instituted by the Seven against Thebes in commemoration of the death of Opheltes, afterwards called Archemorus. They were revived by Hercules, after he had slain the Nemean lion; and were from this time celebrated in honour of Jupiter. The games were at first of a warlike character, and only warriors and their sons were allowed to take part in them; subsequently, however, they were thrown open to all the Greeks. The various games were horse-racing, running in armour in the stadium, wrestling, chariot-racing and the discus, boxing, throwing the spear and shooting with the bow, to which we may add musical contests. The prize given to the victors was at first a chaplet of olive-branches, but afterwards a chaplet of green parsley. The presidency of these games, and the management of them, belonged at different times to Cleonae, Corinth, and Argos. They were celebrated twice in every Olympiad, viz. at the commencement of every second Olympic year, in the winter, and soon after the commencement of every fourth Olympic year, in the summer.

NE'NIA. [F^{UNUS}, p. 161.]

NEXUM, was either the transfer of the ownership of a thing, or the transfer of a thing to a creditor as a security: accordingly in one sense Nexum included Mancipium [MANCIPIUM]; in another sense, Mancipium and Nexum are opposed in the same way in which Sale and Mortgage or Pledge are opposed. The formal part of both transactions consisted in a transfer *per aes et libram*.

The person who became *nexus* by the effect of a *nexum* or *nexus* (for this form of the word also is used) was said *nexum inire*. The phrases *nexi datio*, *nexi liberatio*, respectively express the contracting and the release from the obligation.

The Roman law as to the payment of borrowed money was very strict. By a law of the Twelve Tables, if the debtor admitted the debt, or had been condemned in the amount of the debt by a *judex*, he had thirty days allowed him for payment. At the expiration of this time, he was liable to be assigned over to the creditor (*addictus*) by the sentence of the praetor. The creditor was required to keep him for sixty days in chains, during which

time he publicly exposed the debtor on three *nundinae*, and proclaimed the amount of his debt. If no person released the prisoner by paying the debt, the creditor might sell him as a slave or put him to death. If there were several creditors, the letter of the law allowed them to cut the debtor in pieces, and to take their share of his body in proportion to their debt. There is no instance of a creditor ever having adopted this extreme mode of satisfying his debt. But the creditor might treat the debtor, who was *addictus*, as a slave, and compel him to work out his debt; and the treatment was often very severe.

The Lex Poetilia (b. c. 326) alleviated the condition of the *nexi*. So far as we can understand its provisions, it set all the *nexi* free, or made them *soluti*, and it enacted that for the future there should be no *nexum*, and that no debtor should for the future be put in chains.

NO'BILES. [NOVI HOMINES.]

NOMEN (*ὄνομα*), a name. The Greeks bore only one name, and it was one of the especial rights of a father to choose the names for his children, and to alter them if he pleased. It was customary to give to the eldest son the name of the grandfather on his father's side; and children usually received their names on the tenth day after their birth.

Originally every Roman citizen belonged to a gens, and derived his name (*nomen* or *nomen gentilicium*) from his gens, which *nomen gentilicium* generally terminated in *ius*. Besides this, every Roman had a name, called *praenomen*, which preceded the *nomen gentilicium*, and which was peculiar to him as an individual, e.g. Caius, Lucius, Marcus, Cneius, Sextus, &c. This *praenomen* was at a later time given to boys on the ninth day after their birth, and to girls on the eighth day. This day was called *dies lustricus*, *dies nominum* or *nominalia*. The *praenomen* given to a boy was in most cases that of the father, but sometimes that of the grandfather or great-grandfather. These two names, a *praenomen* and a *nomen gentilicium*, or simply *nomen*, were indispensable to a Roman, and they were at the same time sufficient to designate him; hence the numerous instances of Romans being designated only by these two names, even in cases where a third or fourth name was possessed by the person.

Every Roman citizen, besides belonging to a gens, was also frequently a member of a familia, contained in a gens, and accordingly might have a third name or *cognomen*. Such *cognomina* were derived by the Romans from a variety of mental or bodily peculiarities, or from some remarkable event in the life of the

person who was the founder of the familia. Such cognomina are, Asper, Imperiosus, Magnus, Maximus, Publicola, Brutus, Capito, Cato, Naso, Labeo, Caecus, Cicero, Scipio, Sulla, Torquatus, &c. These names were in most cases hereditary, and descended to the latest members of a familia; in some cases they ceased with the death of the person to whom they were given for special reasons. Many Romans had a second cognomen (*cognomen secundum* or *agnomen*), which was given to them as an honorary distinction, and in commemoration of some memorable deed or event of their life, *e.g.* Africanus, Asiaticus, Hispanus, Cretensis, Macedonicus, Allobrogicus, &c. Such agnomina were sometimes given by one general to another, sometimes by the army and confirmed by the chief-general, sometimes by the people in the comitia, and sometimes they were assumed by the person himself, as in the case of L. Cornelius Scipio Asiaticus.

The regular order in which these names followed one another was:—1. praenomen; 2. nomen gentilicium; 3. cognomen primum; 4. cognomen secundum or agnomen. Sometimes the name of the tribe to which a person belonged, was added to his name, in the ablative case, as Q. Verres Romilia, C. Claudius Palatina.

If a person by adoption passed from one gens into another, he assumed the praenomen, nomen, and cognomen of his adoptive father, and added to these the name of his former gens, with the termination *anus*. Thus C. Octavius, after being adopted by his uncle C. Julius Caesar, was called C. Julius Caesar Octavianus, and the son of L. Aemilius Paulus, when adopted by P. Cornelius Scipio, was called P. Cornelius Scipio Aemilianus. [ADOPTIO.]

Slaves had only one name, and usually retained that which they had borne before they came into slavery. If a slave was restored to freedom, he received the praenomen and nomen gentilicium of his former master, and to these was added the name which he had had as a slave. Instances of such freedmen are, T. Ampius Menander, a freedman of T. Ampius Balbus, L. Cornelius Chrysogonus, a freedman of L. Cornelius Sulla, and M. Tullius Tiro, freedman of M. Tullius Cicero.

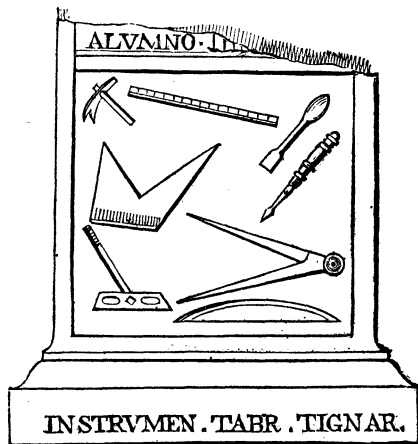
NOMOTHETAE (*νομοθέται*), movers or proposers of laws, the name of a legislative committee at Athens, which, by an institution of Solon, was appointed to amend and revise the laws. At the first *κυρία ἐκκλησία* in every year, any person was at liberty to point out defects in the existing code or propose alterations. If his motion was deemed

worthy of attention, the third assembly might refer the matter to the Nomothetae. They were selected by lot from the Heliastic body; it being the intention of Solon to limit the power of the popular assembly by means of a superior board emanating from itself, composed of citizens of mature age bound by a stricter oath, and accustomed to weigh legal principles by the exercise of their judicial functions. The number of the committee so appointed varied according to the exigency of the occasion. The people appointed five advocates (*σύνδικοι*) to attend before the board and maintain the policy of the existing institution. If the proposed measure met the approval of the committee, it passed into law forthwith. Besides this, the Thesmothetae were officially authorised to review the whole code, and to refer to the Nomothetae all statutes which they considered unworthy of being retained.

Hence appears the difference between *Psephisma* (*ψηφίσμα*) and *Nomos* (*νόμος*). The mere resolution of the people in assembly was a *psephisma*, and only remained in force a year, like a decree of the senate. Nothing was a *law* that did not pass the ordeal of the Nomothetae.

NONAE. [CALENDARIUM.]

NORMA (*γνώμων*), a square used by carpenters, masons, and other artificers to make their work rectangular. It was made by taking three flat wooden rulers of equal thickness, one of them being two feet ten inches



Norma, Square.

long, the others each two feet long, and joining them together by their extremities, so as to assume the form of a right-angled triangle. This method, though only a close approximation, must have been quite sufficient for all common purposes. For the sake of convenience, the longest side, i. e. the hypotenuse of the triangle, was discarded, and the instrument then assumed the form in which it is exhibited, among other tools, on a tomb found at Rome, and which resembles that in modern use. A square of a still more simple fashion made by merely cutting a rectangular piece out of a board is shown on another sepulchral monument and copied in the woodcut which is here introduced.

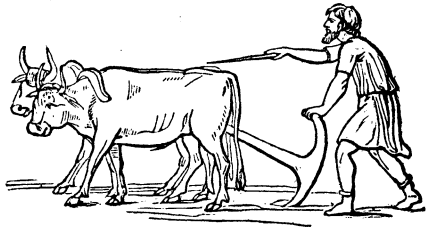
NOTA CENSORIA. [CENSOR.]

NOVENDIA'LE (sc. *sacrum*). 1. A festival lasting nine days, which was celebrated as often as stones rained from heaven. It was originally instituted by Tullus Hostilius, when there was a shower of stones upon the Mons Albanus, and was frequently celebrated in later times. 2. This name was also given to the sacrifice performed nine days after a funeral. [FUNUS.]

NOVI HOMINES. After the senate and the higher offices of the state were opened to the plebeians, a new order of nobility arose, and the term *Nobiles* was applied to those persons whose ancestors had been *magistratus curules* and who were entitled to the *jus imaginum*. [MAGISTRATUS; IMAGO.] Those persons, on the contrary, whose ancestors had not been so distinguished, were called *Ignobiles*; and when those who belonged to the latter class obtained any of the higher magistracies, they were called *Novi Homines* or upstarts. The nobles attempted to keep all the higher offices of the state in their own body, and violently opposed all candidates who did not belong to their order. Some of the most distinguished men in the state were, however, *novi homines*, as T. Coruncanius, who lived before the first Punic war, Sp. Carvilius, M. Cato, Mummius, the conqueror of Achaia, C. Marius, and Cicero.

NUDUS (γυμνός). These words, besides denoting absolute nakedness, were applied to any one who, being without an *Amictus*, wore only his tunic or *indutus*. In this state of nudity the ancients performed the operations of ploughing, sowing and reaping. The accompanying woodcut shows a man ploughing in his tunic only.

This term applied to the warrior expressed the absence of some part of his armour. Hence the light-armed were called γυμνῆτες. [ARMA.]



Nudus.

NUMMULARII or NUMULARII. [MENSARII.]

NUMMUS or NUMUS. [SESTERTIUS.]

NU'NDINAE is derived by all the ancient writers from *novem* and *dies*, so that it literally signifies the ninth day. Every eighth day, according to our mode of speaking, was a *nundinae*, and there were thus always seven ordinary days between two *nundinae*. The Romans in their peculiar mode of reckoning added these two *nundinae* to the seven ordinary days, and consequently said that the *nundinae* recurred every ninth day, and called them *nundinae*, as it were *novendinae*.

The number of *nundinae* in the ancient year of ten months was 38. They were originally market-days for the country folk, on which they came to Rome to sell the produce of their labour, and on which the king settled the legal disputes among them. When, therefore, we read that the *nundinae* were *feriae*, or *dies nefasti*, and that no *comitia* were allowed to be held, we have to understand this of the *populus* or patricians, and not of the *plebes*; and while for the *populus* the *nundinae* were *feriae*, they were real days of business (*dies fasti* or *comitiales*) for the plebeians, who on these occasions pleaded their causes with members of their own order, and held their public meetings (the ancient *comitia* of the plebeians). Afterwards the *nundinae* became *fasti* for both orders, and this innovation facilitated the attendance of the plebeians at the *comitia centuriata*. The subjects to be laid before the *comitia*, whether they were proposals for new laws, or the appointment of officers, were announced to the people three *nundinae* beforehand (*trinundino die proponere*).

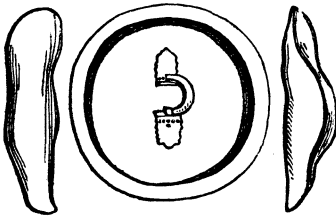
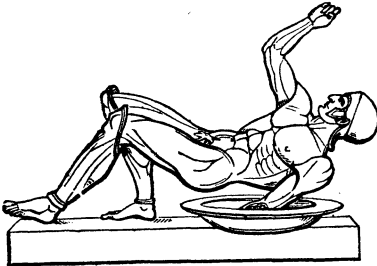
Instead of *nundinae* the form *nundinum* is sometimes used, but only when it is preceded by a numeral, as in *trinundinum* or *trinundinum*.

NUPTIAE. [MATRIMONIUM.]

OATH, MILITARY. [SACRAMENTUM.]
OBOLUS. [DRACHMA.]

O'CREA (κνημῖς), a greave, a leggin. A pair of greaves (κνημίδες) was one of the six articles of armour which formed the complete equipment of a Greek warrior [ARMA], and likewise of a Roman soldier as fixed by Servius Tullius. They were made of various metals, with a lining probably of leather, felt, or cloth. Their form is shown in the accompanying cut. The figure is that of a fallen warrior, and in consequence of the bending of the knees, the greaves are seen to project a little above them. This statue also shows the ankle-rings (ἐπισφύρια), which were used to fasten the greaves immediately above the feet.

The woodcut that follows shows the interior of a bronze shield, and a pair of bronze greaves found in the tomb of an Etruscan warrior, and now preserved in the British Museum. The greaves are made right and left.



Ocreae, Greaves.

OLLA (λάβης, χύτρος), a vessel of any material, round and plain, and having a wide mouth; a pot; a jar. The following woodcut is taken from a vase in the British Museum, which was found at Canino in Etruria.

The painting upon it represents the story of Medea boiling an old ram with a view to persuade the daughters of Pelias to put him to death. The pot has a round bottom, and is supported by a tripod, under which is a large fire. The ram, restored to youth, is just in the act of leaping out of the pot. Instead of being supported by a separate tripod the vessel was sometimes made with the feet all in one piece, and it was then called in Greek *τρίπους*, *χυτρόπους*, and *πυριστάτης*.



Olla, Pot.

OLYMPIA (Ὀλύμπια), the Olympic games, the greatest of the national festivals of the Greeks. It was celebrated at Olympia in Elis, the name given to a small plain to the west of Pisa, which was bounded on the north and north-east by the mountains Cronius and Olympus, on the south by the river Alpheus, and on the west by the Cladeus, which flows into the Alpheus. Olympia does not appear to have been a town, but rather a collection of temples and public buildings.

The origin of the Olympic games is buried in obscurity, but the festival was of very great antiquity.

The first historical fact connected with this festival is its revival by Iphitus, king of Elis, who is said to have accomplished it with the

assistance of Lycurgus, the Spartan lawgiver, and Cleosthenes of Pisa. The date of this event is given by some writers as B. C. 884, and by others as B. C. 828. The interval of four years between each celebration of the festival was called an Olympiad; but the Olympiads were not employed as a chronological æra till the victory of Coroebus in the foot-race, B. C. 776. [OLYMPIAS.]

The most important point in the renewal of the festival by Iphitus was the establishment of the *Ekecheiria* (*ἐκεχειρία*), or sacred armistice. The proclamation was made by peace-heralds (*σπονδοφόροι*), first in Elis and afterwards in the other parts of Greece; it put a stop to all warfare for the month in which the games were celebrated, and which was called the *sacred month* (*ιερομηνία*). The territory of Elis itself was considered especially sacred during its continuance, and no armed force could enter it without incurring the guilt of sacrilege.

The Olympic festival was probably confined at first to the Peloponnesians; but as its celebrity extended, the other Greeks took part in it, till at length it became a festival for the whole nation. No one was allowed to contend in the games but persons of pure Hellenic blood: barbarians might be spectators, but slaves were entirely excluded. After the conquest of Greece by the Romans, the latter were allowed to take part in the games.

No women were allowed to be present or even to cross the Alpheus during the celebration of the games, under penalty of being hurled down from the Typæan rock, but women were allowed to send chariots to the races. The number of spectators at the festival was very great; and these were drawn together not merely by the desire of seeing the games, but partly through the opportunity it afforded them of carrying on commercial transactions with persons from distant places, as is the case with the Mohammedan festivals at Mecca and Medina. Many of the persons present were also deputies (*θεωροί*) sent to represent the various states of Greece; and we find that these embassies vied with one another in the number of their offerings, and the splendour of their general appearance, in order to support the honour of their native cities.

The Olympic festival was a Pentaëteris (*πενταετηρίς*), that is, according to the ancient mode of reckoning, a space of four years elapsed between each festival, in the same way as there was only a space of two years between a *Trieteris*. It was celebrated on the first full moon after the summer solstice. It lasted, after all the contests had been intro-

duced, five days, from the 11th to the 15th days of the month inclusive. The fourth day of the festival was the 14th of the month, which was the day of the full moon, and which divided the month into two equal parts.

The festival was under the immediate superintendence of the Olympian Jupiter, whose temple at Olympia, adorned with the statue of the god made by Phidias, was one of the most splendid works of art in Greece. There were also temples and altars to most of the other gods. The festival itself may be divided into two parts, the games or contests (*ἀγών Ὀλυμπιακός*), and the festive rites (*εορτή*) connected with the sacrifices, with the processions, and with the public banquets in honour of the conquerors.

The contests consisted of various trials of strength and skill, which were increased in number from time to time. There were in all twenty-four contests, eighteen in which men took part, and six in which boys engaged, though they were never all exhibited at one festival, since some were abolished almost immediately after their institution, and others after they had been in use only a short time. We subjoin a list of these from Pausanias, with the date of the introduction of each, commencing from the Olympiad of Coroebus:—1. The foot-race (*δρόμος*), which was the only contest during the first 13 Olympiads. 2. The *διανλος*, or foot-race, in which the stadium was traversed twice, first introduced in Ol. 14. 3. The *δολιχος*, a still longer foot-race than the *διανλος*, introduced in Ol. 15. For a more particular account of the *διανλος* and *δολιχος*, see STADIUM. 4. Wrestling (*πάλη*), and, 5. The Pentathlum (*πένταθλον*), which consisted of five exercises [PENTATHLUM], both introduced in Ol. 18. 6. Boxing (*πυγμή*) introduced in Ol. 23. [PYGLAUTUS.] 7. The chariot-race, with four full-grown horses (*ἵππων τελείων δρόμος, ἄρμα*), introduced in Ol. 25. 8. The Pancratiun (*παγκράτιον*) [PANCRA TIUM], and, 9. The horse-race (*ἵππος κέλης*), both introduced in Ol. 33. 10 and 11. The foot-race and wrestling for boys, both introduced in Ol. 37. 12. The Pentathlum for boys, introduced in Ol. 38, but immediately afterwards abolished. 13. Boxing for boys, introduced in Ol. 41. 14. The foot-race, in which men ran with the equipments of heavy-armed soldiers (*τῶν ὀπλιτῶν δρόμος*), introduced in Ol. 65, on account of its training men for actual service in war. 15. The chariot-race with mules (*ἀπήνη*), introduced in Ol. 70; and, 16. The horse-race with mares (*κάλπη*), introduced in Ol. 72, both of which were abolished in Ol. 84. 17. The chariot-race with two full-grown

horses (*ἵππων τελείων συνωρίς*), introduced in Ol. 93. 18, 19. The contest of heralds (*κήρυκες*) and trumpeters (*σαλπικταί*), introduced in Ol. 96. 20. The chariot-race with four foals (*πῶλων ἄρμασιν*), introduced in Ol. 99. 21. The chariot-race with two foals (*πῶλων συνωρίς*), introduced in Ol. 128. 22. The horse-race with foals (*πῶλος κέλης*), introduced in Ol. 131. 23. The Pancratium for boys, introduced in Ol. 145. 24. There was also a horse race (*ἱππος κέλης*) in which boys rode, but we do not know the time of its introduction.

The judges in the Olympic Games, called *Hellaniadae* (*Ἑλλανοδίκαι*), were appointed by the Eleans, who had the regulation of the whole festival. It appears to have been originally under the superintendence of Pisa, in the neighbourhood of which Olympia was situated, but after the conquest of Peloponnesus by the Dorians on the return of the Heraclidae, the Aetolians, who had been of great assistance to the Heraclidae, settled in Elis, and from this time the Aetolian Eleans obtained the regulation of the festival, and appointed the presiding officers.

The *Hellaniadae* were chosen by lot from the whole body of the Eleans. Their number varied at different periods, but at a later time there were eight *Hellaniadae*. Their office probably lasted for only one festival. They had to see that all the laws relating to the games were observed by the competitors and others, to determine the prizes, and to give them to the conquerors. An appeal lay from their decision to the Elean senate. Under the direction of the *Hellaniadae* was a certain number of *Alytæ* (*ἀλύται*) with an *Alytarches* (*ἀλυτάρχης*) at their head, who formed a kind of police, and carried into execution the commands of the *Hellaniadae*. There were also various other minor officers under the control of the *Hellaniadae*.

All free Greeks were allowed to contend in the games, who had complied with the rules prescribed to candidates. The equestrian contests were necessarily confined to the wealthy; but the poorest citizens could contend in the athletic games. This, however, was far from degrading the games in public opinion; and some of the noblest as well as meanest citizens of the state took part in these contests. The owners of the chariots and horses were not obliged to contend in person; and the wealthy vied with one another in the number and magnificence of the chariots and horses which they sent to the games.

All persons, who were about to contend, had to prove to the *Hellaniadae* that they were freemen, and of pure Hellenic blood, that

they had not been branded with atimia, nor guilty of any sacrilegious act. They further had to prove that they had undergone the preparatory training (*προγυμνάσματα*) for ten months previous. All competitors were obliged, thirty days before the festival, to undergo certain exercises in the Gynnasium at Elis, under the superintendence of the *Hellaniadae*.

The competitors took their places by lot. The herald then proclaimed the name and country of each competitor. When they were all ready to begin the contest, the judges exhorted them to acquit themselves nobly, and then gave the signal to commence.

The only prize given to the conqueror was a garland of wild olive (*κότινος*), cut from a sacred olive tree, which grew in the sacred grove of Altis in Olympia. The victor was originally crowned upon a tripod covered with bronze, but afterwards upon a table made of ivory and gold. Palm branches, the common tokens of victory on other occasions, were placed in his hands. The name of the victor, and that of his father and of his country, were then proclaimed by a herald before the representatives of assembled Greece. The festival ended with processions and sacrifices, and with a public banquet given by the Eleans to the conquerors in the Prytaneum.

The most powerful states considered an Olympic victory, gained by one of their citizens, to confer honour upon the state to which he belonged; and a conqueror usually had immunities and privileges conferred upon him by the gratitude of his fellow-citizens. On his return home the victor entered the city in a triumphal procession, in which his praises were celebrated, frequently in the loftiest strains of poetry. [ATHLETÆ.]

As persons from all parts of the Hellenic world were assembled together at the Olympic Games, it was the best opportunity which the artist and the writer possessed of making their works known. It in fact, to some extent, answered the same purpose as the press does in modern times. Before the invention of printing, the reading of an author's works to as large an assembly as could be obtained, was one of the easiest and surest modes of publishing them; and this was a favourite practice of the Greeks and Romans. Accordingly we find many instances of literary works thus published at the Olympic festival. Herodotus is said to have read his history at this festival; but though there are some reasons for doubting the correctness of this statement, there are numerous other writers who thus published their works, as the sophist Hippias, Prodicus of Ceos, Anaximenes, the orator Lysias, Dio, Chrysostom, &c. It must be

borne in mind that these recitations were not contests, and that they formed properly no part of the festival. In the same way painters and other artists exhibited their works at Olympia.

OLYMPIAS (Ὀλυμπιάς), an Olympiad, the most celebrated chronological aera among the Greeks, was the period of four years, which elapsed between each celebration of the Olympic Games. The Olympiads began to be reckoned from the victory of Coroebus in the foot-race, which happened in the year B. C. 776. Timaeus of Sicily, however, who flourished B. C. 264, was the first writer who regularly arranged events according to the conquerors in each Olympiad. His practice of recording events by Olympiads was followed by Polybius, Diodorus Siculus, Dionysius of Halicarnassus, &c.

The writers who make use of the aera of the Olympiads, usually give the number of the Olympiad (the first corresponding to B. C. 776), and then the name of the conqueror in the foot-race. Some writers also speak of events as happening in the first, second, third, or fourth year, as the case may be, of a certain Olympiad; but others do not give the separate years of each Olympiad. The rules for converting Olympiads into the year B. C., and *vice versa*, are given under CALENDARIUM, p. 58; but as this is troublesome, we subjoin for the use of the student a list of the Olympiads, with the years of the Christian aera corresponding to them from the beginning of the Olympiads to A. D. 301. To save space, the separate years of each Olympiad, with the corresponding years B. C., are only given from the 47th to the 126th Olympiad, as this is the most important period of Grecian history; in the other Olympiads the first year only is given. In consulting the following table it must be borne in mind, that the Olympic Games were celebrated about midsummer, and that the Attic year commenced at about the same time. If, therefore, an event happened in the second half of the Attic year, the year B. C. must be reduced by 1. Thus Socrates was put to death in the 1st year of the 95th Olympiad, which corresponds in the following table to B. C. 400; but as his death happened in Thargelion, the 11th month of the Attic year, the year B. C. must be reduced by 1, which gives us B. C. 399, the true date of his death.

B. C.	Ol.	B. C.	Ol.	B. C.	Ol.
704	19 1.	561	54 4.	502	69 3.
700	20 1.	560	55 1.	501	4.
696	21 1.	559	2.	500	70 1.
692	22 1.	558	3.	499	2.
688	23 1.	557	4.	498	3.
684	24 1.	556	56 1.	497	4.
680	25 1.	555	2.	496	71 1.
676	26 1.	554	3.	495	2.
672	27 1.	553	4.	494	3.
668	28 1.	552	57 1.	493	4.
664	29 1.	551	2.	492	72 1.
660	30 1.	550	3.	491	2.
656	31 1.	549	4.	490	3.
652	32 1.	548	58 1.	489	4.
648	33 1.	547	2.	488	73 1.
644	34 1.	546	3.	487	2.
640	35 1.	545	4.	486	3.
636	36 1.	544	59 1.	485	4.
632	37 1.	543	2.	484	74 1.
628	38 1.	542	3.	483	2.
624	39 1.	541	4.	482	3.
620	40 1.	540	60 1.	481	4.
616	41 1.	539	2.	480	75 1.
612	42 1.	538	3.	479	2.
608	43 1.	537	4.	478	3.
604	44 1.	536	61 1.	477	4.
600	45 1.	535	2.	476	76 1.
596	46 1.	534	3.	475	2.
592	47 1.	533	4.	474	3.
591	2.	532	62 1.	473	4.
590	3.	531	2.	472	77 1.
589	4.	530	3.	471	2.
588	48 1.	529	4.	470	3.
587	2.	528	63 1.	469	4.
586	3.	527	2.	468	78 1.
585	4.	526	3.	467	2.
584	49 1.	525	4.	466	3.
583	2.	524	64 1.	465	4.
582	3.	523	2.	464	79 1.
581	4.	522	3.	463	2.
580	50 1.	521	4.	462	3.
579	2.	520	65 1.	461	4.
578	3.	519	2.	460	80 1.
577	4.	518	3.	459	2.
576	51 1.	517	4.	458	3.
575	2.	516	66 1.	457	4.
574	3.	515	2.	456	81 1.
573	4.	514	3.	455	2.
572	52 1.	513	4.	454	3.
571	2.	512	67 1.	453	4.
570	3.	511	2.	452	82 1.
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563	2.	504	69 1.	445	4.
562	3.	503	2.	444	84 1.

B. C.	Ol.	B. C.	Ol.	B. C.	Ol.	B. C.	Ol.	B. C.	Ol.	B. C.	Ol.	A. D.	Ol.				
443	84	2.	384	99	1.	325	113	4.	248	133	1.	60	180	1.	121	225	1.
442		3.	383		2.	324	114	1.	244	134	1.	56	181	1.	125	226	1.
441		4.	382		3.	323		2.	240	135	1.	52	182	1.	129	227	1.
440	85	1.	381	4.	322	3.		3.	236	136	1.	48	183	1.	133	228	1.
439		2.	380	100	1.	321	4.	4.	232	137	1.	44	184	1.	137	229	1.
438		3.	379		2.	320	115	1.	228	138	1.	40	185	1.	141	230	1.
437		4.	378		3.	319		2.	224	139	1.	36	186	1.	145	231	1.
436	86	1.	377	4.	318	3.		3.	220	140	1.	32	187	1.	149	232	1.
435		2.	376	101	1.	317	4.	4.	216	141	1.	28	188	1.	153	233	1.
434		3.	375		2.	316	116	1.	212	142	1.	24	189	1.	157	234	1.
433		4.	374		3.	315		2.	208	143	1.	20	190	1.	161	235	1.
432	87	1.	373	4.	314	3.		3.	204	144	1.	16	191	1.	165	236	1.
431		2.	372	102	1.	313	4.	4.	200	145	1.	12	192	1.	169	237	1.
430		3.	371		2.	312	117	1.	196	146	1.	8	193	1.	173	238	1.
429		4.	370		3.	311		2.	192	147	1.	4	194	1.	177	239	1.
428	88	1.	369	4.	310	3.		3.	188	148	1.				181	240	1.
427		2.	368	103	1.	309	4.	4.	184	149	1.	A. D.	Ol.		185	241	1.
426		3.	367		2.	308	118	1.	180	150	1.	1	195	1.	189	242	1.
425		4.	366		3.	307		2.	176	151	1.	5	196	1.	193	243	1.
424	89	1.	365	4.	306	3.		3.	172	152	1.	9	197	1.	197	244	1.
423		2.	364	104	1.	305	4.	4.	168	153	1.	13	198	1.	201	245	1.
422		3.	363		2.	304	119	1.	164	154	1.	17	199	1.	205	246	1.
421		4.	362		3.	303		2.	160	155	1.	21	200	1.	209	247	1.
420	90	1.	361	4.	302	3.		3.	156	156	1.	25	201	1.	213	248	1.
419		2.	360	105	1.	301	4.	4.	152	157	1.	29	202	1.	217	249	1.
418		3.	359		2.	300	120	1.	148	158	1.	33	203	1.	221	250	1.
417		4.	358		3.	299		2.	144	159	1.	37	204	1.	225	251	1.
416	91	1.	357	4.	298	3.		3.	140	160	1.	41	205	1.	229	252	1.
415		2.	356	106	1.	297	4.	4.	136	161	1.	45	206	1.	233	253	1.
414		3.	355		2.	296	121	1.	132	162	1.	49	207	1.	237	254	1.
413		4.	354		3.	295		2.	128	163	1.	53	208	1.	241	255	1.
412	92	1.	353	4.	294	3.		3.	124	164	1.	57	209	1.	245	256	1.
411		2.	352	107	1.	293	4.	4.	120	165	1.	61	210	1.	249	257	1.
410		3.	351		2.	292	122	1.	116	166	1.	65	211	1.	253	258	1.
409		4.	350		3.	291		2.	112	167	1.	69	212	1.	257	259	1.
408	93	1.	349	4.	290	3.		3.	108	168	1.	73	213	1.	261	260	1.
407		2.	348	108	1.	289	4.	4.	104	169	1.	77	214	1.	265	261	1.
406		3.	347		2.	288	123	1.	100	170	1.	81	215	1.	269	262	1.
405		4.	346		3.	287		2.	96	171	1.	85	216	1.	273	263	1.
404	94	1.	345	4.	286	3.		3.	92	172	1.	89	217	1.	277	264	1.
403		2.	344	109	1.	285	4.	4.	88	173	1.	93	218	1.	281	265	1.
402		3.	343		2.	284	124	1.	84	174	1.	97	219	1.	285	266	1.
401		4.	342		3.	283		2.	80	175	1.	101	220	1.	289	267	1.
400	95	1.	341	4.	282	3.		3.	76	176	1.	105	221	1.	293	268	1.
399		2.	340	110	1.	281	4.	4.	72	177	1.	109	222	1.	297	269	1.
398		3.	339		2.	280	125	1.	68	178	1.	113	223	1.	301	270	1.
397		4.	338		3.	279		2.	64	179	1.	117	224	1.			
396	96	1.	337	4.	278	3.		3.	OPA'LIA, a Roman festival in honour of								
395		2.	336	111	1.	277	4.	4.	Opis, celebrated on the 19th of December,								
394		3.	335		2.	276	126	1.	being the third day of the Saturnalia. It was								
393		4.	334		3.	275		2.	believed that Opis was the wife of Saturnus,								
392	97	1.	333	4.	274	3.		3.	and for this reason the festivals were cele-								
391		2.	332	112	1.	273	4.	4.	brated at the same time.								
390		3.	331		2.	272	127	1.	O'PTIO. [CENTURIO.]								
389		4.	330		3.	268	128	1.	OPTIMATES, the name of the aristocratic								
388	98	1.	329	4.	264	129	1.	1.	party at Rome. As long as the patricians								
387		2.	328	113	1.	260	130	1.	and plebeians were the only two parties in								
386		3.	327		2.	256	131	1.	the republic, there was no occasion for the								
385		4.	326		3.	252	132	1.	appellation of Optimates, but when a new								

nobility, consisting of wealthy plebeians as well as patricians, had been formed, and occupied the place formerly held by the patricians, the term *Optimates* began to be applied frequently to persons belonging to this new order of nobles, and mostly comprehended the *ordo senatorius* and the *ordo equestris*.

When at a still later period the interests of the senators and equites became separated, the name *optimates* was used in a narrower sense, and only comprised the party consisting of the senate and its champions, in opposition to the popular party which was now sometimes designated by the name of *Plebs*.

ORACULUM (*μαντεῖον, χρηστήριον*) was used by the ancients to designate both the revelations made by the deity to man, as well as the place in which such revelations were made. The deity was in none of these places believed to appear in person to man, and to communicate to him his will or knowledge of the future, but all oracular revelations were made through some kind of medium, which was different in the different places where oracles existed. It may, at first sight, seem strange that there were, comparatively speaking, so few oracles of Jupiter, the father and ruler of gods and men. But although, according to the belief of the ancients, Jupiter himself was the first source of all oracular revelations, yet he was too far above men to enter with them into any close relation; other gods therefore, especially Apollo, and even heroes, acted as mediators between Jupiter and men, and were, as it were, the organs through which he communicated his will. The ancients consulted the will of the gods on all important occasions of public and private life, since they were unwilling to undertake anything of importance without their sanction.

The most celebrated oracle was that of Apollo at Delphi. Its ancient name was *Pytho*. In the centre of the temple there was a small opening (*χάσμα*) in the ground, from which, from time to time, an intoxicating smoke arose, which was believed to come from the well of Cassotis, which vanished into the ground close by the sanctuary. Over this chasm there stood a high tripod on which the *Pythia*, led into the temple by the prophetes (*προφῆτης*), took her seat whenever the oracle was to be consulted. The smoke rising from under the tripod affected her brain in such a manner that she fell into a state of delirious intoxication, and the sounds which she uttered in this state were believed to contain the revelations of Apollo. These sounds were carefully written down by the prophetes, and afterwards communicated to the persons who had come to consult the oracle.

The *Pythia* (the *προφῆτις*) was always a native of Delphi, and when she had once entered the service of the god she never left it, and was never allowed to marry. In early times she was always a young girl, but subsequently no one was elected as prophetess who had not attained the age of fifty years.

The Delphians, or, more properly speaking, the noble families of Delphi, had the superintendence of the oracle. Among the Delphian aristocracy, however, there were five families which traced their origin to Deucalion, and from each of these one of the five priests, called *Hosioi* (*δοῖοι*), was taken. The *Hosioi*, together with the high priest or prophetes, held their offices for life, and had the control of all the affairs of the sanctuary and of the sacrifices. That these noble families had an immense influence upon the oracle is manifest from numerous instances, and it is not improbable that they were its very soul, and that it was they who dictated the pretended revelations of the god.

Most of the oracular answers which are extant, are in hexameters, and in the Ionic dialect. Sometimes, however, Doric forms also were used.

No religious institution in all antiquity obtained such a paramount influence in Greece as the oracle of Delphi. When consulted on a subject of a religious nature, the answer was invariably of a kind calculated not only to protect and preserve religious institutions, but to command new ones to be established, so that it was the preserver and promoter of religion throughout the ancient world. Colonies were seldom or never founded without having obtained the advice and the directions of the Delphic god. The Delphic oracle had at all times a leaning in favour of the Greeks of the Doric race, but the time when it began to lose its influence must be dated from the period when Athens and Sparta entered upon their struggle for the supremacy in Greece; for at this time the partiality for Sparta became so manifest, that the Athenians and their party began to lose all reverence and esteem for it, and the oracle became a mere instrument in the hands of a political party.

Of the other oracles, the most celebrated were that of Apollo at Didyma, usually called the oracle of the Branchidae, in the territory of Miletus; that of Jupiter, at Dodona, where the oracle was given from sounds produced by the wind; that of Jupiter Ammon, in an oasis in Libya, not far from the boundaries of Egypt; that of Amphiarus, between Potniae and Thebes, where the hero was said to have been swallowed up by the earth; and that of Trophonius, at Lebadea, in Boeotia.

ORCHESTRA. [THEATRUM.]

ORCINUS SENATOR. [SENATUS.]

ORDO is applied to any body of men, who form a distinct class in the community, either by possessing distinct privileges, pursuing certain trades or professions, or in any other way. Thus the whole body of sacerdotes at Rome is spoken of as an *ordo*, and separate ecclesiastical corporations are called by the same title. The *libertini* and *scribae* also formed separate *ordines*. The senate and the *equites* are also spoken of respectively as the *ordo senatorius* and *ordo equestris*, but this name is never applied to the *plebes*. Accordingly we find the expression, *uterque ordo*, used without any farther explanation to designate the senatorial and equestrian *ordines*. The senatorial *ordo*, as the highest, is sometimes distinguished as *amplissimus ordo*.

The senate in colonies and municipia was called *ordo decurionum* [COLONIA], and sometimes simply *ordo*.

The term *ordo* is also applied to a company or troop of soldiers, and is used as equivalent to *centuria*: thus *centurions* are sometimes called *qui ordines duxerunt*, and the first centuries in a legion *primi ordines*. Even the centuries of the first centuries are occasionally called *primi ordines*.

ORGIA. [MYSTERIA.]

OSCHOPHORIA (*ὄσχοφορία, ὄσχοφόρια*), an Attic festival, which, according to some writers, was celebrated in honour of Minerva, and Bacchus, and according to others, in honour of Bacchus and Ariadne. It is said to have been instituted by Theseus. It was a vintage festival, and its name is derived from *ὄσχος, ὄσχος, or ὄσχη*, a branch of vines with grapes.

OSCILLUM, a diminutive through *osculum* from *os*, meaning "a little face," was the term applied to faces or heads of Bacchus, which were suspended in the vineyards to be turned in every direction by the wind. Whichever

way they looked they were supposed to make, the vines in that quarter fruitful. The left-hand figure in the preceding cut represents the countenance of Bacchus with a beautiful, mild, and propitious expression. The other figure represents a tree with four oscilla hung upon its branches. A *syrix* and a *pedum* are placed at the root of the tree.

OSTIARIUM, a tax upon the doors of houses, which appears to have been sometimes levied in the provinces. There was a similar tax, called *columnarium*, imposed upon every pillar that supported a house.

OSTIUM. [JANUA.]

OSTRACISM. [EXSILIUM.]

OVA'TIO, a lesser triumph. The circumstances by which it was distinguished from the more imposing solemnity [TRIUMPHUS] were the following:—The general did not enter the city in a chariot drawn by four horses, but on foot: he was not arrayed in a gorgeous gold embroidered robe, but in the simple *toga praetexta* of a magistrate; his brows were encircled with a wreath, not of laurel but of myrtle; he bore no sceptre in his hand; the procession was not heralded by trumpets, headed by the senate, and thronged with victorious troops, but was enlivened by a crowd of flute-players, attended chiefly by knights and plebeians, frequently without soldiers: the ceremonies were concluded by the sacrifice, not of a bull but of a sheep. The word *ovatio* seems clearly to be derived from the kind of victim offered.

An ovation was granted when the advantage gained, although considerable, was not sufficient to constitute a legitimate claim to the higher distinction of a triumph, or when the victory had been achieved with little bloodshed; or when hostilities had not been regularly proclaimed; or when the war had not been completely terminated; or when the contest had been carried on against base and unworthy foes; and hence when the servile bands of Athenion and Spartacus were destroyed by Perperna and Crassus, these leaders celebrated ovations only.

OVILE. [COMITIA, p. 96.]

P.

PAEAN (*παῖων, παῖών, παῖών*), a hymn or song, which was originally sung in honour of Apollo. It was always of a joyous nature, and its tune and sounds expressed hope and confidence. It was a song of thanksgiving, when danger was passed, and also a hymn to propitiate the god. It was sung at the solemn



Oscilla.

festivals of Apollo, and especially at the Hyacinthia. The paean was also sung as a battle-song, both before an attack on the enemy and after the battle was finished. It is certain that the paean was in later times sung to the honour of other gods besides Apollo. Thus Xenophon relates that the Greek army in Asia sung a paean to Jupiter.

PAEDAGOGUS (*παιδαγωγός*), a tutor. The office of tutor in a Grecian family of rank and opulence was assigned to one of the most trustworthy of the slaves. The sons of his master were committed to his care on attaining their sixth or seventh year, their previous education having been conducted by females. They remained with the tutor until they attained the age of puberty. His duty was rather to guard them from evil, both physical and moral, than to communicate instruction. He went with them to and from the school or the GYMNASIUM; he accompanied them out of doors on all occasions; he was responsible for their personal safety, and for their avoidance of bad company.

In the Roman empire the name *paedagogi* or *paedagogia* was given to beautiful young slaves, who discharged in the imperial palace the duties of the modern *page*, which is in fact a corruption of the ancient name.

PAENULA, a thick cloak, chiefly used by the Romans in travelling, instead of the toga, as a protection against the cold and rain. It appears to have had no sleeves, and only



Paenula, Travelling Cloak.

PALA.

an opening for the head, as shown in the preceding figure.

PAGANA'LIA. [PAGI.]

PAGANI. [PAGI.]

PAGI, were fortified places in the neighbourhood of Rome, to which the country-people might retreat in case of a hostile inroad. Each of the country tribes is said to have been divided by Numa into a certain number of pagi; which name was given to the country adjoining the fortified village, as well as to the village itself. There was a magistrate at the head of each pagus, who kept a register of the names and of the property of all persons in the pagus, raised the taxes, and summoned the people, when necessary, to war. Each pagus had its own sacred rites, and an annual festival called *Paganalia*. The *pagani*, or inhabitants of the pagi, had their regular meetings, at which they passed resolutions. The division of the country-people into pagi continued to the latest times of the Roman empire.

The term *Pagani* is often used in opposition to *milites*, and is applied to all who were not soldiers, even though they did not live in the country. The Christian writers gave the name of *pagani* to those persons who adhered to the old Roman religion, because the latter continued to be generally believed by the country-people, after Christianity became the prevailing religion of the inhabitants of the towns.

PALA (*πτύον*), a spade The spade was



Pala, Spade.

but little used in ancient husbandry, the ground having been broken and turned over by the plough, and also by the use of large hoes and rakes. The preceding woodcut, taken from a funeral monument at Rome, exhibits a deceased countryman with his falx and bident, and also with a pala, modified by the addition of a strong cross-bar, by the use of which he was enabled to drive it nearly twice as deep into the ground, as he could have done without it.

PALÆSTRA (παλαίστρα), properly means a place for wrestling (παλαίειν, πάλη), and appears to have originally formed a part of the gymnasium. At Athens, however, there was a considerable number of palaestrae, quite distinct from the gymnasia. It appears most probable that the palaestrae were chiefly appropriated to the exercises of wrestling and of the pancratiun, and were principally intended for the athleteæ, who, it must be recollected, were persons that contended in the public games, and therefore needed special training.

The Romans had originally no places corresponding to the Greek gymnasia and palaestrae; and when towards the close of the republic, wealthy Romans, in imitation of the Greeks, began to build places for exercise in their villas, they called them indifferently gymnasia and palaestrae.

PALILIA, a festival celebrated at Rome every year on the 21st of April, in honour of Pales, the tutelary divinity of shepherds. The 21st of April was the day on which, according to the early traditions of Rome, Romulus had commenced the building of the city, so that the festival was at the same time solemnized as the dies natalitius of Rome. It was originally a shepherd-festival, and continued to be so among country-people till the latest times, but in the city it lost its original character, and was only regarded as the dies natalitius of Rome.

The first part of the solemnities was a public purification by fire and smoke. The things burnt in order to produce this purifying smoke were the blood of the *October-horse*, the ashes of the calves sacrificed at the festival of Ceres, and the shells of beans. The people were also sprinkled with water, they washed their hands in spring-water, and drank milk mixed with must. As regards the *October-horse* (*equus October*), it must be observed that in early times no bloody sacrifice was allowed to be offered at the palilia, and the blood of the *October-horse*, mentioned above, was the blood which had dropped from the tail of the horse sacrificed in the month of October to Mars in the Campus Martius. This blood was pre-

served by the vestal virgins in the temple of Vesta for the purpose of being used at the palilia. The sacrifices consisted of cakes, millet, milk, and other kinds of eatables. The shepherds then offered a prayer to Pales. After these solemn rites were over, the cheerful part of the festival began: bonfires were made of heaps of hay and straw, and the festival was concluded by a feast in the open air, at which the people sat or lay upon benches of turf, and drank plentifully.

PALIMPSEST. [LIBER.]

PALLIUM, *dim.* PALLIOLUM, *poet.* PALLA (ἱμάτιον, *dim.* ἱματίδιον; *Ion.* and *poet.* φάρος), an outer garment. The English *cloak*, though commonly adopted as the translation of these terms, conveys no accurate conception of the form, material, or use of that which they denoted. The article designated by them was always a rectangular piece of cloth, exactly, or at least nearly square. It was indeed used in the very form in which it was taken from the loom, being made entirely by the weaver, without any aid from the tailor except to repair the injuries which it sustained by time. Whatever additional richness and beauty it received from the art of the dyer, was bestowed upon it before its materials were woven into cloth or even spun into thread. Most commonly it was used without



Pallium.

having undergone any process of this kind. The raw material, such as wool, flax, or cotton, was manufactured in its natural state, and hence pallia were commonly white, although from the same cause brown, drab, and gray, were also prevailing colours.

As the pallium was the most common outer garment, we find it continually mentioned in conjunction with the tunica, which constituted the indutus. Such phrases as "coat and waistcoat," or "shoes and stockings," are not more common with us than the following expressions, which constantly occur in ancient authors: *tunica palliumque, ἱμάτιον καὶ χιτῶν, τὸ ἱμάτιον καὶ ὁ χιτωνίσκος, φάρος ἢ δὲ χιτῶν, &c.*

To wear the pallium without the under-clothing indicated poverty or severity of manners, as in the case of Socrates.

One of the most common modes of wearing the pallium was to fasten it with a brooch over the right shoulder, leaving the right arm at liberty, and to pass the middle of it either under the left arm so as to leave that arm at liberty also, or over the left shoulder so as to cover the left arm. The figure in the preceding cut is attired in the last-mentioned fashion.

PALMA. [PES.]

PALUDAMENTUM, the cloak worn by a Roman general commanding an army, his principal officers and personal attendants, in



Paludamentum, Military Cloak.

PANATHENAEA.

contradistinction to the *sagum* of the common soldiers, and the *toga* or garb of peace. It was the practice for a Roman magistrate, after he had received *imperium* from the comitia curiata and offered up his vows in the capitol, to march out of the city arrayed in the paludamentum (*exire paludatus*), attended by his lictors in similar attire (*paludatis lictoribus*), nor could he again enter the gates until he had formally divested himself of this emblem of military power.

The paludamentum was open in front, reached down to the knees or a little lower, and hung loosely over the shoulders, being fastened across the chest by a clasp.

The colour of the paludamentum was commonly white or purple, and hence it was marked and remembered that Crassus on the morning of the fatal battle of Carrhae went forth in a dark-coloured mantle.

PANATHENAEA (*παναθήναια*), the greatest and most splendid of the festivals celebrated in Attica in honour of Minerva, in the character of Minerva Polias, or the protectress of the city. It was said to have been instituted by Erichthonius, and its original name, down to the time of Theseus, was believed to have been Athenaea; but when Theseus united all the Atticans into one body, this festival, which then became the common festival of all the Attic tribes, was called Panathenaea. There were two kinds of Panathenaea, the greater and the lesser; the former were held every fourth year (*πενταετηρίς*), the latter every year.

The lesser Panathenaea were probably celebrated on the 17th of the month Hecatombaeon; the great Panathenaea in the third year of every Olympiad, and probably commenced on the same day as the lesser Panathenaea. The principal difference between the two festivals was, that the greater one was more solemn, and that on this occasion the peplos of Minerva was carried to her temple in a most magnificent procession, which was not held at the lesser Panathenaea.

The solemnities, games, and amusements of the Panathenaea were, rich sacrifices of bulls, foot, horse, and chariot races, gymnastic and musical contests, and the lampadephoria; rhapsodists recited the poems of Homer and other epic poets, philosophers disputed, cock-fights were exhibited, and the people indulged in a variety of other amusements and entertainments. The prize in these contests was a vase filled with oil from the ancient and sacred olive tree of Minerva on the Acropolis. A great many of such vases, called Panathenaic vases, have in late years been found in Etruria, southern Italy, Sicily, and

Greece. They represent on one side the figure of Minerva, and on the other the various contests and games in which these vases were given as prizes to the victors.

Of the discussions of philosophers and orators at the Panathenaea we still possess two specimens, the *lógos* Παναθηναϊκός of Isocrates, and that of Aristides. Herodotus is said to have recited his history to the Athenians at the Panathenaea. The management of the games and contests was entrusted to persons called *Aithlothetæ* (ἀθλοθέται), whose number was ten, one being taken from every tribe. Their office lasted from one great Panathenæic festival to the other.

The chief solemnity of the great Panathenaea was the magnificent procession to the temple of Minerva Polias, which probably took place on the last day of the festive season. The whole of the procession is represented in the frieze of the Parthenon, the work of Phidias and his disciples, now deposited in the British Museum. The chief object of the procession was to carry the peplus of the goddess to her temple. This peplus was a crocus-coloured garment for the goddess, and made by maidens, called *ἐργαστίναι*. In it were woven Enceladus and the giants, as they were conquered by the goddess. The peplus was not carried to the temple by men, but suspended from the mast of a ship. The procession proceeded from the Ceramicus, near a monument called Leocorium, to the temple of Ceres at Eleusis, and thence along the Pelagic wall and the temple of Apollo Pythius to the Pnyx, and thence to the Acropolis, where the statue of Minerva Polias was adorned with the peplus.

In this procession nearly the whole population of Attica appears to have taken part, either on foot, on horseback, or in chariots, as may be seen in the frieze of the Parthenon. Aged men carried olive branches, and were called *Thallophori* (θαλλοφόροι); young men attended, at least in earlier times, in armour, and maidens who belonged to the noblest families of Athens carried baskets, containing offerings for the goddess, whence they were called *Canephori* (κανηφόροι). Respecting the part which aliens took in this procession, and the duties they had to perform, see HYDRIA-PHORIA.

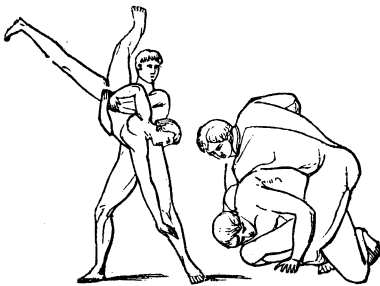
Men who had deserved well of the republic were rewarded with a gold crown at the great Panathenaea, and the herald had to announce the event during the gymnastic contests.

PANCRATIUM (παγκράτιον), is derived from *πάν* and *κράτος*, and accordingly signifies an athletic game, in which all the powers of the fighter were called into action. The

pancratium was one of the games or gymnastic contests which were exhibited at all the great festivals of Greece; it consisted of boxing and wrestling (πυγμή and πάλη), and was reckoned to be one of the heavy or hard exercises (ἀγωνίσματα βαρέα or βαρύτερα), on account of the violent exertions it required, and for this reason it was not much practised in the gymnasia.

In Homer we find neither the game nor the name of the pancratium mentioned, and as it was not introduced at the Olympic games until Ol. 33, we may presume that the game, though it may have existed long before in a rude state, was not brought to any degree of perfection until a short time before that event. The name of the combatants was *Pancratiastæ* (παγκρατισταί) or *Pammachi* (πάμμαχοι). They fought naked, and had their bodies anointed and covered with sand, by which they were enabled to take hold of one another.

When the contest began, each of the fighters might commence by boxing or by wrestling, accordingly as he thought he should be more successful in the one than in the other. The victory was not decided until one of the parties was killed, or lifted up a finger, thereby declaring that he was unable to continue the contest either from pain or fatigue.



Pancratiastæ.

PANEGYRIS (πανήγυρις), signifies a meeting or assembly of a whole people for the purpose of worshipping at a common sanctuary. The word is used in three significations:—1. For a meeting of the inhabitants of one particular town and its vicinity; 2. For a meeting of the inhabitants of a whole district, a province, or of the whole body of people belonging to a particular tribe [DELIA; PANIONIA]; and 3. For great national meetings, as the Olympic, Pythian, Isthmian, and Nemean games. Although in all panegyris which we know, the religious

character forms the most prominent feature, other subjects, political discussions and resolutions, as well as a variety of amusements, were not excluded, though they were perhaps more a consequence of the presence of many persons than objects of the meeting. Every panegyris, moreover, was made by trades-people a source of gain, and it may be presumed that such a meeting was never held without a fair, at which all sorts of things were exhibited for sale.

PANIONIA (πανιώνια), the great national panegyris of the Ionians on Mount Mycalé, where the national god Neptune Heliconius had his sanctuary, called the Panionium. One of the principal objects of this national meeting was the common worship of Neptune, to whom splendid sacrifices were offered on the occasion. But religious worship was not the only object for which they assembled at the Panionium; on certain emergencies, especially in case of any danger threatening their country, the Ionians discussed at their meetings political questions, and passed resolutions which were binding upon all.

PANOPLIA (πανοπλία), a panoply or suit of armour. The articles of which it consisted both in the Greek and in the Roman army, are enumerated under ARMA.

PANTOMIMUS, the name of a kind of actors peculiar to the Romans, who very nearly resembled in their mode of acting the modern dancers in the ballet. They did not speak on the stage, but merely acted by gestures, movements, and attitudes. All movements, however, were rhythmical like those in the ballet, whence the general term for them is *saltatio*, *saltare*; the whole art was called *musica muta*; and to represent Niobe or Leda was expressed by *saltare Nioben* and *saltare Ledam*.

During the time of the republic the name pantomimus does not occur, though the art itself was known to the Romans at an early period; for the first histriones said to have been introduced from Etruria were in fact nothing but pantomimic dancers [HISTRIO], whence we find that under the empire the names *histrion* and *pantomimus* were used as synonymous. The pantomimic art, however, was not carried to any degree of perfection until the time of Augustus. The greatest pantomimes of this time were Bathyllus, a freedman and favourite of Maecenas, and Pylades and Hylas. Mythological love-stories were from the first the favourite subjects of the pantomimes, which were disgraced by the most licentious scenes. In Sicily pantomimic dances were called *ballismi* (βαλλισμοί), whence perhaps the modern words ball and ballet.

PAREDRI.

PAPER. [LIBER.]

PAPYRUS. [LIBER.]

PARADISUS (παράδεισος), the name given by the Greeks to the parks or pleasure-grounds, which surrounded the country residences of the Persian kings and satraps. They were generally stocked with animals for the chase, were full of all kinds of trees, watered by numerous streams, and enclosed with walls.

PARAGRAPHE (παφαγραφή). This word does not exactly correspond with any term in our language, but may without much impropriety be called a *plea*. It is an objection raised by the defendant to the admissibility of the plaintiff's action. The *paragraphe*, like every other answer (*ἀντιγραφή*) made by the defendant to the plaintiff's charge, was given in writing; as the word itself implies. If the defendant merely denied the plaintiff's allegations, a court was at once held for the trial of the cause. If, however, he put in a *paragraphe*, a court was to be held to try the preliminary question, whether the cause could be brought into court or not. Upon this previous trial the defendant was considered the *actor*. If he succeeded, the whole cause was at an end; unless the objection was only to the form of action, or some other such technicality, in which case it might be recommenced in the proper manner. If, however, the plaintiff succeeded, the original action, which in the mean time had been suspended, was proceeded with.

PARAPHERNA. [DOS.]

PARASANGA (δ παρασάγγης), a Persian measure of length, frequently mentioned by the Greek writers. It is still used by the Persians, who call it *ferseng*. According to Herodotus the parasang was equal to 30 Greek stadia. Xenophon must also have calculated it at the same, as he says that 16,050 stadia are equal to 535 parasangs. (16,050 ÷ 535 = 30.) Other ancient writers give a different length for the parasang. Modern English travellers estimate it variously at from 3½ to 4 English miles, which nearly agrees with the calculation of Herodotus.

PARCHMENT. [LIBER.]

PAREDRI (πάρεδροι). Each of the three superior archons was at liberty to have two assessors (πάρεδροι) chosen by himself, to assist him by advice and otherwise in the performance of his various duties. The assessor, like the magistrate himself, had to undergo a *docimasia* (δοκιμασία) in the Senate of Five Hundred and before a judicial tribunal, before he could be permitted to enter upon his labours. He was also to render an account (εἰθύνη) at the end of the year. The

duties of the archon, magisterial and judicial, were so numerous, that one of the principal objects of having assessors must have been to enable them to get through their business. From the *paredri* of the archons we must distinguish those who assisted the *euthyni* in examining and auditing magistrates' accounts.

PARENTA'LIA. [Fusus, p. 164.]

PA'RIES. [Domus, p. 127.]

PARMA, *dim.* PA'RMULA, a round shield, three feet in diameter, carried by the *velites* in the Roman army. Though small, compared with the CLYPEUS, it was so strongly made as to be a very effectual protection. This was



Parma, Shield.

probably owing to the use of iron in its framework. The parma was also worn by the cavalry.

We find the term *parma* often applied to the target [CETRA], which was also a small round shield, and therefore very similar to the parma.

The preceding cut represents a votive parma, embossed and gilt, representing on its border, as is supposed, the taking of Rome by the Gauls under Brennus, and its recovery by Camillus.

PAROPSIS (παροψίς), any food eaten with the *ὄψον*, as the *μάζα*, a kind of frumenty or soft cake, broth, or any kind of condiment or sauce. It was, likewise, the name of the dish or plate, on which such food was served up, and it is in this latter signification that the Roman writers use the word.

PARRICIDA, PARRICIDIUM. A parricida signified originally a murderer gen-

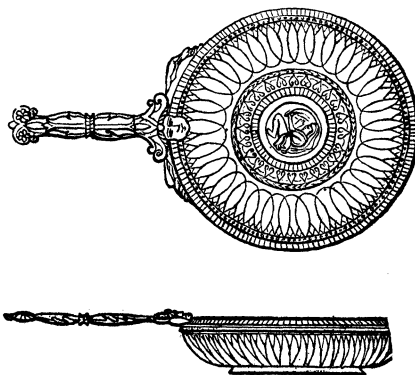
erally, and is hence defined to be a person who kills another *dolo malo*. It afterwards signified the murderer of a parent, and by an ancient law such a parricide was sewed up in a sack (*culleus*), and thrown into a river. A law of the dictator Sulla contained some provisions against parricide, and probably fixed the same punishment for the parricide, as the Lex Pompeia de Parricidiis, passed in the time of Cn. Pompeius. This law extended the crime of parricide to the killing of a brother, sister, uncle, aunt, and many other relations, and enacted that he who killed a father or mother, grandfather or grandmother, should be punished (*more majorum*) by being whipped till he bled, sewed up in a sack with a dog, cock, viper, and ape, and thrown into the sea. Other parricides were simply put to death.

PASSUS, a measure of length, which consisted of five Roman feet. [Pes.] The passus was not the step, or distance from heel to heel, when the feet were at their utmost ordinary extension, but the distance from the point which the heel leaves to that in which it is set down. The *mille passuum*, or thousand paces, was the common name of the Roman mile. [MILLIARE.]

PATER FAMILIÆ. [FAMILIA; MATRIMONIUM.]

PATER PATRATUS. [FETIALES.]

PATERA, *dim.* PATELLA (πάτηλη), a round plate or dish. The paterae of the most common kind were small plates of the common red earthenware, on which an ornamental pattern was drawn, and which were sometimes entirely black. The more valuable paterae were metallic, being chiefly of bronze:



Patera.

but every family, raised above poverty, possessed one of silver, together with a silver salt-cellar. The preceding cut exhibits a highly ornamented *patera*, made of bronze. The view of the upper surface is accompanied by a side-view, showing the form and depth of the vessel.

PATIBULUM. [FURCA.]

PATINA (λεκάνη), a basin or bowl of earthenware, rarely of bronze or silver.

The patina was of a form intermediate between the *patera* and the *olla*, not so flat as the former, nor so deep as the latter. The most frequent use of the *patina* was in cookery.

PATRES. [PATRICII.]

PATRIA POTESTAS. Potestas signifies generally a power or faculty of any kind by which we do anything. "Potestas," says Paulus, a Roman jurist, "has several significations: when applied to magistrates, it is Imperium; in the case of children, it is the patria potestas; in the case of slaves, it is Dominium." According to Paulus then, potestas, as applied to magistrates, is equivalent to imperium. Thus we find potestas associated with the adjectives *praetoria*, *consularis*. But potestas is applied to magistrates who had not the imperium, as for instance to quaestors and tribuni plebis; and potestas and imperium are often opposed in Cicero. [IMPERIUM.] Thus it seems that this word potestas, like many other Roman terms, had both a wider signification and a narrower one. In its wider signification it might mean all the power that was delegated to any person by the state, whatever might be the extent of that power. In its narrower significations, it was on the one hand equivalent to imperium; and on the other, it expressed the power of those functionaries who had not the imperium. Sometimes it was used to express a magistratus, as a person; and hence in the Italian language the word *podestà* signifies a magistrate.

Potestas is also one of the words by which is expressed the power that one private person has over another, the other two being manus and mancipium. The potestas is either dominica, that is, ownership as exhibited in the relation of master and slave [SERVUS]; or patria as exhibited in the relation of father and child. The mancipium was framed after the analogy of the potestas dominica. [MANCIPIIUM.]

Patria potestas then signifies the power which a Roman father had over the persons of his children, grandchildren, and other descendants (*filii familias*, *filiae familias*), and generally all the rights which he had by virtue of his paternity. The foundation of the patria potestas was a legal marriage, and the birth of a child gave it full effect. [MATRIMONIUM.]

It does not seem that the patria potestas was ever viewed among the Romans as absolutely equivalent to the dominica potestas, or as involving ownership of the child; and yet the original notion of the patria came very near to that of the dominica potestas. Originally the father had the power of life and death over his son as a member of his familia; and he could sell him, and so bring him into the mancipii causa. He could also give his daughter in marriage, or give a wife to his son, divorce his child, give him in adoption, and emancipate him at his pleasure.

PATRICII. This word is evidently a derivative from *pater*, which frequently occurs in the Roman writers as equivalent to senator. *Patricii* therefore signifies those who belonged to the *patres*, but it is a mistake to suppose that the patricii were only the offspring of the patres in the sense of senators. On the contrary, the patricians were, in the early history of Rome, the whole body of Roman citizens, the *populus Romanus*, and there were no real citizens besides them. The other parts of the Roman population, namely clients and slaves, did not belong to the *populus Romanus*, and were not burghers or patricians. The senators or patres (in the narrower sense of the word) were a select body of the *populus* or patricians, which acted as their representatives. The burghers or patricians consisted originally of three distinct tribes, which afterwards became united into the sovereign *populus*. These tribes had founded settlements upon several of the hills which were subsequently included within the precincts of the city of Rome. Their names were Ramnes, Tities, and Luceres, or Ramnenses, Titienses, and Lucerenses. Each of these tribes consisted of ten curiae, and each curia of ten gentes, and of the same number of decuries, which were established for representative and military purposes. [SENATUS.] The first tribe, or the Ramnes, were a Latin colony on the Palatine hill, said to have been founded by Romulus. As long as it stood alone, it contained only one hundred gentes, and had a senate of one hundred members. When the Tities, or Sabine settlers on the Quirinal and Viminal hills, under king Tatius, became united with the Ramnes, the number of gentes, as well as that of senators, was increased to 200. These two tribes after their union continued probably for a considerable time to be the patricians of Rome, until the third tribe, the Luceres, which chiefly consisted of Etruscans, who had settled on the Caelian hill, also became united with the other two as a third tribe.

The amalgamation of these three tribes did

not take place at once: the union between Latins and Sabines is ascribed to the reign of Romulus, though it does not appear to have been quite perfect, since the Latins on some occasions claimed a superiority over the Sabines. The Luceres existed for a long time as a separate tribe without enjoying the same rights as the two other tribes, until Tarquinius Priscus, himself an Etruscan, caused them to be placed on a footing of equality with the others. For this reason he is said to have increased the number of senators to 300. The Luceres, however, are, notwithstanding this equalization, sometimes distinguished from the other tribes by the name *patres* or *patricii minorum gentium*. During the time of the republic, distinguished strangers and wealthy plebeians were occasionally made Roman patricians; for instance, Appius Claudius and his gens, and Domitius Ahenobarbus.

When the plebeians became a distinct class of citizens [PLEBES], the patricians, of course, ceased to be the only class of citizens, but they still retained the exclusive possession of all the power in the state. All civil and religious offices were in their possession, and they continued as before to be the *populus*, the nation now consisting of the *populus* and the *plebes*. In their relation to the plebeians or the commonalty, the patricians were a real aristocracy of birth. A person born of a patrician family was and remained a patrician, whether he was rich or poor, whether he was a member of the senate, or an eques, or held any of the great offices of the state, or not: there was no power that could make a patrician a plebeian. As regards the census, he might indeed not belong to the wealthy classes, but his rank remained the same. The only way in which a patrician might become a plebeian was when of his own accord he left his gens and *curia*, gave up the *sacra*, &c. A plebeian, on the other hand, or even a stranger, might be made a patrician by a *lex curiata*. But this appears to have been done very seldom; and the consequence was, that in the course of a few centuries the number of patrician families became so rapidly diminished, that towards the close of the republic there were not more than fifty such families.

Although the patricians throughout this whole period had the character of an aristocracy of birth, yet their political rights were not the same at all times. During the first centuries of the republic there was an almost uninterrupted struggle between patricians and plebeians, in which the former exerted every means to retain their exclusive rights, but which ended in the establishment of the political equality of the two orders. [PLEBES.]

Only a few insignificant priestly offices, and the performance of certain ancient religious rites and ceremonies, remained the exclusive privilege of the patricians; of which they were the prouder, as in former days their religious power and significance were the basis of their political superiority. At the time when the struggle between patricians and plebeians ceased, a new kind of aristocracy began to arise at Rome, which was partly based upon wealth, and partly upon the great offices of the republic, and the term *nobiles* was given to all persons whose ancestors had held any of the curule offices. (Compare *NOVI HOMINES*.) This aristocracy of nobles threw the old patricians as a body still more into the shade, though both classes of aristocrats united as far as was possible to monopolize all the great offices of the state.

In their dress and appearance the patricians were scarcely distinguished from the rest of the citizens, unless they were senators, curule magistrates, or equites, in which case they wore like others the ensigns peculiar to these classes. The only thing by which they appear to have been distinguished in their appearance from other citizens was a peculiar kind of shoe, which covered the whole foot and part of the leg, though it was not as high as the shoes of senators and curule magistrates. These shoes were fastened with four strings (*corrigiæ* or *lora patricia*) and adorned with a lunula on the top.

PATRIMI ET MATRIMI were children born of parents, who had been married by the religious ceremony called *confarreatio*: they are almost always mentioned in connection with religious rites and ceremonies.

PATRO-NOMI (*πατρονόμοι*), magistrates at Sparta, who exercised, as it were, a paternal power over the whole state. They did not exist till a late period, and they succeeded to the powers which the ephori formerly possessed.

PATRONUS. The act of manumission created a new relation between the manumissor and the slave, which was analogous to that between father and son. The manumissor became with respect to the manumitted person his patronus, and the manumitted person became the *libertus* of the manumissor. The word *patronus* (from *pater*) indicates the nature of the relation. If the manumissor was a woman, she became *patrona*.

The *libertus* adopted the gentile name of the manumissor. Cicero's freedman Tiro was called M. Tullius Tiro. The *libertus* owed respect and gratitude to his patron, and in ancient times the patron might punish him in a summary way for neglecting those duties.

This obligation extended to the children of the libertus, and the duty was due to the children of the patron. It was the duty of the patron to support his freedman in case of necessity; and if he did not, he lost his patronal rights; the consequence was the same if he brought a capital charge against him. The most important of the patronal rights related to the property of the liberti, as in certain cases the patronus had a right to the whole or part of the property of a libertus.

PAVIMENTUM. [DOMUS, p. 127.]

PECULATUS, is properly the misappropriation or theft of public property. The person guilty of this offence was *peculator*. The origin of the word appears to be *pecus*, a term which originally denoted that kind of movable property which was the chief sign of wealth. Originally trials for *peculatus* were before the populus or the senate. In the time of Cicero matters of *peculatus* had become one of the *quaestiones perpetuae*.

PECULIUM. [SERVUS.]

PECUNIA. [AES; ARGENTUM; AURUM.]

PEDARII. [SENATUS.]

PEDUM (κορύνη), a shepherd's crook. On account of its connection with pastoral life, the crook is often seen in works of ancient art, in the hands of Pan, Satyrs, Fauns, and shepherds. It was also the usual attribute of Thalia, as the muse of pastoral poetry.



Pedum, Shepherd's Crook.

PEGMA (πήγμα), a pageant, i. e. an edifice of wood, consisting of two or more stages (*tabulata*), which were raised or depressed at pleasure by means of balance-weights. These great machines were used in the Roman amphitheatres, the gladiators who fought upon them being called *pegmares*. They were supported upon wheels so as to be drawn into the

circus, glittering with silver and a profusion of wealth. When Vespasian and Titus celebrated their triumph over the Jews, the procession included pageants of extraordinary magnitude and splendour, consisting of three or four stages above one another, hung with rich tapestry, and inlaid with ivory and gold. By the aid of various contrivances they represented battles and their numerous incidents, and the attack and defence of the cities of Judaea.

The pegma was also used in sacrifices. A bull having been slain on one of the stages, the high priest placed himself below in a cavern, so as to receive the blood upon his person and his garments, and in this state he was produced by the flamines before the worshippers.

PELATAE (πελάται), were free labourers working for hire, like the *thetes*, in contradistinction to the helots and penestae, who were bondsmen or serfs. In the later Greek writers, such as Dionysius of Halicarnassus, and Plutarch, the word is used for the Latin *clien*s, though the relations expressed by the two terms are by no means similar.

PELTA (πέλτη), a small shield. Iphicrates, observing that the ancient *clipeus* was cumbrous and inconvenient, introduced among the Greeks a much smaller and lighter shield, from which those who bore it took the name of *peltastae*. It consisted principally of a



Pelta, Shield.

frame of wood or wicker-work, covered with skin or leather. An elegant form of the pelta is exhibited in the preceding cut, representing Penthesilea, Queen of the Amazons, in the act of offering aid to Priam.

PENESTÆ (πενέσται) a class of serfs in Thessaly, who stood in nearly the same relation to their Thessalian lords as the helots of Laconia did to the Dorian Spartans, although their condition seems to have been on the whole superior. They were the descendants of the old Pelasgic or Aeolian inhabitants of Thessaly Proper. They occupied an intermediate position between freemen and purchased slaves, and they cultivated the land for their masters, paying by way of rent a portion of the produce of it. The Penestæ sometimes accompanied their masters to battle, and fought on horseback as their vassals: a circumstance which need not excite surprise, as Thessaly was so famous for cavalry. There were Penestæ among the Macedonians also.

PENETRA'LE. [TEMPLUM.]

PENTATHLON (πένταθλον, *quinquertium*), was next to the pancratium the most beautiful of all athletic performances. The persons engaged in it were called *Pentathli* (πένταθλοι). The pentathlon consisted of five distinct kinds of games, viz. leaping (*ἄλμα*), the foot-race (*δρόμος*), the throwing of the discus (*δίσκος*), the throwing of the spear (*σῆγυνος* or *ἀκόντιον*), and wrestling (*πάλη*), which were all performed in one day and in a certain order, one after the other, by the same athletes. The pentathlon was introduced in the Olympic games in Ol. 18.

PENTECOSTE (πεντηκοστή), a duty of two per cent. levied upon all exports and imports at Athens. The money was collected by persons called *πεντηκοστολόγοι*. The merchant who paid the duty was said *πεντηκοντεύεσθαι*. All the customs appear to have been let to farm, and probably from year to year. They were let to the highest bidders by the *τετ Πολεται*, acting under the authority of the senate. The farmers were called *τελώναι*, and were said *ὠνεῖσθαι τὴν πεντηκοστήν*.

PEPLUM or **PEPLUS** (πέπλος), an outer garment, strictly worn by females, and thus corresponding to the himation or pallium, the outer garment worn by men. Like all other pieces of cloth used for the *ἄμικτος*, it was often fastened by means of a brooch. It was, however, frequently worn without a brooch, in the manner represented in the annexed cut.

Each of the females in this group wears a tunic falling down to her feet, and over it an ample peplus, which she passes entirely round her body and then throws the loose



Peplum.

extremity of it over her left shoulder and behind her back, as is distinctly seen in the sitting figure.

Of all the productions of the loom, pepli were those on which the greatest skill and labour were bestowed. So various and tasteful were the subjects which they represented, that poets delighted to describe them. The art of weaving them was entirely oriental; and those of the most splendid dyes and curious workmanship were imported from Tyre and Sidon. They often constituted a very important part of the treasures of a temple, having been presented to the divinity by suppliants and devotees.

PERA (πήρα), a wallet, made of leather, worn suspended at the side by rustics and by travellers to carry their provisions, and adopted in imitation of them by the Cynic philosophers. The woodcut (p. 246) is the representation of a goat-herd with his staff and wallet.

PERDUELLIO, was in the ancient times of the republic nearly the same as the *Majestas* of the later times. [MAJESTAS.] *Perduellis* originally signified *hostis*, and thus the offence was equivalent to making war on the Roman state. Offenders were tried by two judges called *Perduellionis Duumviri*. In the time of the kings the *duumviri perduellionis* and the *quaestores paricidii* appear to have



Pera, Wallet.

been the same persons; but after the establishment of the republic, the offices were distinct, for the quaestores were appointed regularly every year, whereas the duumviri were appointed very rarely, as had been the case during the kingly period. Livy represents the duumviri perduellionis as being appointed by the kings, but they were really proposed by the king and appointed by the populus. During the early part of the republic they were appointed by the comitia curiata, and afterwards by the comitia centuriata, on the proposal of the consuls. In the case of Rabirius (B. C. 63), however, this custom was violated, as the duumviri were appointed by the praetor instead of by the comitia centuriata. The punishment for those who were found guilty of perduellio was death; they were either hanged on the *arbor infelix*, or thrown from the Tarpeian rock. But when the duumviri found a person guilty, he might appeal to the people (in early times the populus, afterwards the comitia centuriata), as was done in the first case which is on record, that of Horatius, and in the last, which is that of Rabirius, whom Cicero defended before the people in the oration still extant.

PEREGRINUS, a stranger or foreigner. In ancient times the word *peregrinus* was used

PERIOECI.

as synonymous with *testis*; but in the times of which we have historical records, a peregrinus was any person who was not a Roman citizen. In B. C. 247, a second praetor (*praetor peregrinus*) was appointed for the purpose of administering justice in matters between Romans and peregrini, and in matters between such peregrini as had taken up their abode at Rome. [PRAETOR.] The number of peregrini who lived in the city of Rome appears to have had an injurious influence upon the poorer classes of Roman citizens, whence on some occasions they were driven out of the city. The first example of this kind was set in B. C. 127, by the tribune M. Junius Pennus. They were expelled a second time by the tribune C. Papius, in B. C. 66.

During the last period of the republic and the first centuries of the empire, all the free inhabitants of the Roman world were, in regard to their political rights, either Roman citizens, or Latins, or peregrini, and the latter had, as before, neither commercium nor conubium with the Romans. They were either free provincials, or citizens who had forfeited their civitas, and were degraded to the rank of peregrini, or a certain class of freedmen, called peregrini dediticii.

PERFUMES. [UNGUENTA.]

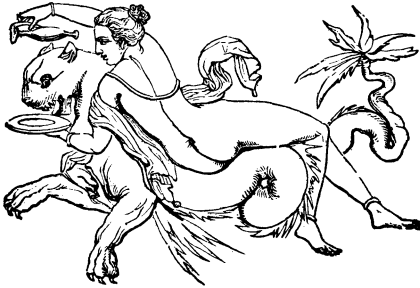
PERIOECI (*περιοικοι*). This word properly denotes the inhabitants of a district lying around some particular locality, but is generally used to describe a dependent population, living without the walls or in the country provinces of a dominant city, and although personally free, deprived of the enjoyment of citizenship, and the political rights conferred by it.

A political condition such as that of the *perioeci* of Greece, and like the vassalage of the Germanic nations, could hardly have originated in anything else than foreign conquest, and the *perioeci* of Laconia furnish a striking illustration of this. Their origin dates from the Dorian conquest of the Peloponnesus, when the old inhabitants of the country, the Achaeans, submitted to their conquerors on certain conditions, by which they were left in possession of their private rights of citizenship. They suffered indeed a partial deprivation of their lands, and were obliged to submit to a king of foreign race, but still they remained equal in law to their conquerors, and were eligible to all offices of state except the sovereignty. But this state of things did not last long: in the next generation after the conquest the relation between the two parties was changed. The Achaeans were reduced from citizens to vassals; they were made tributary to Sparta; their lands were

subjected to a tax; and they lost their rights of citizenship, the right of voting in the general assembly, and their eligibility to important offices in the state, such as that of a senator, &c. It does not, however, appear that the *perioeci* were generally an oppressed people, though kept in a state of political inferiority to their conquerors. On the contrary, the most distinguished among them were admitted to offices of trust, and they sometimes served as heavy-armed soldiers; as, for instance, at the battle of Plataea.

The Norman conquest of England presents a striking parallel to the Dorian conquest of Laconia, both in its achievement and consequences. The Saxons, like the old Achæians, were deprived of their lands, excluded from all offices of trust and dignity, and reduced, though personally free, to a state of political slavery. The Normans, on the contrary, of whatever rank in their own country, were all nobles and warriors, compared with the conquered Saxons, and for a long time enjoyed exclusively the civil and ecclesiastical administration of the land.

PERISCCELIS (*περισκελῖς*), an anklet or bangle, worn by the Orientals, the Greeks, and the Roman ladies also. It decorated the leg in the same manner as the bracelet adorns the wrist and the necklace the throat.



Periscelis, Anklet, worn by a Nereid.

The word, however, is sometimes used in the same sense as the Latin *feminalia*, that is, drawers reaching from the navel to the knees.

PERISTROMA, a coverlet large enough to hang round the sides of the bed or couch.

PERISTYLUM. [Domus, p. 125.]

PERO (*ὑρβύλη*), a low boot of untanned hide worn by ploughmen (*peronatus arator*) and shepherds, as exemplified in the wood-cut at p. 228.

The term *ὑρβύλη* is applied to an appendage to the Greek chariot. It seems to have been a shoe fastened to the bottom of the chariot, into which the driver inserted his foot, to assist him in driving, and to prevent him from being thrown out.

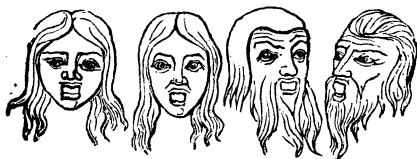
PERSONA (*larva, προσωπον* or *προσωπεῖον*), a mask. Masks were worn by Greek and Roman actors in nearly all dramatic representations. This custom arose undoubtedly from the practice of smearing the face with certain juices and colours, and of appearing in disguise, at the festivals of Bacchus. [DIONYSIA.] Now as the Greek drama arose out of these festivals, it is highly probable that some mode of disguising the face was as old as the drama itself. Choerilus of Samos, however, (about B.C. 500) is said to have been the first who introduced regular masks. Other writers attribute the invention of masks to Thespis or Aeschylus, though the latter had probably only the merit of perfecting and completing the whole theatrical apparatus and costume. Some masks covered, like the masks of modern times, only the face, but they appear more generally to have covered the whole head down to the shoulders, for we always find the hair belonging to a mask described as being a part of it; and this must have been the case in tragedy more especially, as it was necessary to make the head correspond to the stature of an actor, which was heightened by the cothurnus.

The annexed cut represents the grotesque mask of a Satyr, together with a tragic mask, which are contained in the British Museum.



Personae, Masks.

Some of the oldest manuscripts of Terence contain representations of Roman masks, and from these manuscripts they have been copied in several modern editions of that poet. The cut annexed contains representations of four of these masks prefixed to the Andria.



Masks.

PES (πούς), a foot. The Greeks and Romans, like most other nations, took their standards of length originally from the different parts of the human body, and the names which were thus given to the measures were retained after the measures themselves had been determined with greater nicety.

The probable value of the Roman foot is $11\frac{1}{2}$.1496 inches English.

The following tables exhibit the Roman measures of length, with their values in English feet and inches:—

1. Ordinary Measures.

	Pedes.	Feet.	Inches.
Digitus	$\frac{1}{16}$	"	.7231
Uncia	$\frac{1}{12}$	"	.9708
Palmus	$\frac{1}{4}$	"	2.9124
Pes	1	"	11.6496
Palmipes	$1\frac{1}{2}$	"	2.5620
Cubitus	$1\frac{1}{2}$	1	5.4744

2. Land Measures.

	Pedes.	Yds.	Ft.	Inches.
Pes	1	"	"	11.6496
Gradus	$2\frac{1}{2}$	"	2	5.124
Passus	5	1	1	10.248
Decempeda	10	3	"	8.496
Actus	120	38	2	5.952
Mille Passus or Milliarium	5000	1618	"	"

The Greek foot was probably equal to 1.01125 English feet, or 12.135 inches.

The square measures of the Greeks were the πούς or square foot, the άρουρα = 2500 square feet, and the πλέθρον = 4 arurae = 10,000 square feet.

The following table represents the parts and multiples of the Greek foot:—

	Πόδες.	Yds.	Ft.	Inches.
δάκτυλος	$\frac{1}{16}$	"	"	.7584
κόνδυλος	$\frac{1}{4}$	"	"	1.5168
παλαιστή	$\frac{1}{2}$	"	"	3.0336
λιχάς	$\frac{3}{4}$	"	"	6.0672
ορθόδωρον	1	"	"	7.584
σπιθαμή	1	"	"	9.1008
πούς	1	"	1	0.135
πυγμή	$1\frac{1}{2}$	"	1	1.6512
πυγών	$1\frac{1}{2}$	"	1	3.168
πῆχυς	$1\frac{1}{2}$	"	1	6.2016
βῆμα	2	"	2	6.336
ξυλον	$4\frac{1}{2}$	"	4	6.6048
οργυιά	6	"	6	0.81
κάλαμος	10	"	10	1.35
άμμα	60	20	"	8.1
πλέθρον	100	33	2	1.5
στάδιον	600	202	"	9
διανλος	1200	404	1	6

PESSI. [LATRUNCULI.]

PE'SSULUS. [JANUA.]

PETALISMUS. [EXSILIUM.]

PETASUS. [PILEUS.]

PETITOR. [ACTOR.]

PETAURISTAE. [PETAURUM.]

PETAURUM (πέταυρον, πέτευρον), used in the Roman games, seems to have been a board moving up and down, with a person at each end, and supported in the middle, something like our see-saw; only it appears to have been much longer, and consequently went to a greater height than is common amongst us. The persons who took part in this game, were called *Petauristae* or *Petauristarii*.

PETO'RRITUM, a four-wheeled carriage, which, like the ESSEDUM, was adopted by the Romans in imitation of the Gauls. It differed from the HARMAMAXA in being uncovered. Its name is compounded of *petor*, four, and *rit*, a wheel.

PHALANX. [EXERCITUS.]

PHALA'RICA. [HASTA.]

PHA'LERA (φάλαρον), boss, disc, or crescent of metal, in many cases of gold, and beautifully wrought so as to be highly prized. They were usually worn in pairs; and we most commonly read of them as ornaments attached to the harness of horses, especially about the head, and often worn as pendants (*pen-silia*), so as to produce a terrific effect when shaken by the rapid motions of the horse. These ornaments were often bestowed upon horsemen by the Roman generals, in the same manner as the ARMILLA, the TORQUES, the hasta pura [HASTA], and the crown of gold [CORONA], in order to make a public and permanent acknowledgment of bravery and merit.

PHARETRA (φαρέτρα), a quiver, was

principally made of hide or leather, and was adorned with gold, painting, and braiding. It had a lid (*πῶμα*), and was suspended from the right shoulder by a belt passing over the breast and behind the back. Its most common position was on the left hip, and is so seen in the annexed figures, the right-hand one representing an Amazon, and the left-hand an Asiatic archer.



Phaetrae, Quivers.

PHAROS or PHARUS (*φάρος*), a light-house. The most celebrated light-house of antiquity was that situated at the entrance to the port of Alexandria, on an island which bore the name of Pharos. It contained many stories, and the upper stories had windows looking seawards, and torches or fires were kept burning in them by night in order to guide vessels into the harbour.

The name of Pharos was given to other light-houses in allusion to that at Alexandria, which was the model for their construction.

PHASELUS (*φάσηλος*), a vessel rather long and narrow, apparently so called from its resemblance to the shape of a phaselus or kidney-bean. It was chiefly used by the Egyptians, and was of various sizes, from a mere boat to a vessel adapted for long voyages. The phaselus was built for speed, to which more attention seems to have been paid than to its strength; whence the epithet *fragilis* is given to it by Horace. These ves-

sels were, sometimes made of clay to which the epithet of Horace may perhaps also refer.

PHASIS (*φάσις* from *φαίνω*), one of the various methods by which public offenders at Athens might be prosecuted; but the word is often used to denote any kind of information; and we do not know in what respects the *Phasis* was distinguished from other methods of prosecution. The word *sycophantes* (*συκοφάντης*) is derived from the practice of laying information against those who exported figs. [SYCOPHANTES.]

PHORMINX. [LYRA.]

PHRA'TRIA. [TRIBUS.]

PHYLARCHI (*φύλαρχοι*), were at Athens after the age of Clisthenes ten officers, one from each of the tribes, and were specially charged with the command and superintendence of the cavalry. There can be but little doubt that each of the phylarchs commanded the cavalry of his own tribe, and they were themselves collectively and individually under the control of the two hipparchs, just as the taxiarchs were subject to the two strategi. Herodotus informs us that when Clisthenes increased the number of the tribes from four to ten, he also made ten phylarchs instead of four. It has been thought, however, that the historian should have said ten phylarchs in the place of the old phylbasileis, who were four in number, one for each of the old tribes.

PHYLOBASILEIS (*φυλοβασίλεις*), were four in number, representing each one of the four ancient Athenian tribes, and probably elected (but not for life) from and by them. They were nominated from the Eupatridae, and during the continuance of royalty at Athens, these "kings of the tribes" were the constant assessors of the sovereign, and rather as his colleagues than counsellors. Though they were originally connected with the four ancient tribes, still they were not abolished by Clisthenes when he increased the number of tribes; probably because their duties were mainly of a religious character. They appear to have existed even after his time, and acted as judges, but in unimportant or merely formal matters.

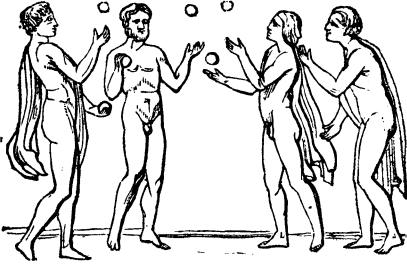
PILA (*σφαίρα*), a ball. The game at ball (*σφαιριστική*) was one of the most favourite gymnastic exercises of the Greeks and Romans, from the earliest times to the fall of the Roman empire. It is mentioned in the *Odyssey*, where it is played by the Phaeacian damsels to the sound of music, and also by two celebrated performers at the court of Alcinoüs in a most artistic manner accompanied with dancing.

The various movements of the body required in the game of ball gave elasticity and

grace to the figure; whence it was highly esteemed by the Greeks. The Athenians set so high a value on it, that they conferred upon Aristonicus of Carystus the right of citizenship on account of his skill in this game. It was equally esteemed by the other states of Greece; the young Spartans, when they were leaving the condition of ephebi, were called *σφαιρείς*, probably because their chief exercise was the game at ball. Every complete gymnasium had a room (*σφαιριστήριον*, *σφαιρίστρα*) devoted to this exercise [*ΓΥΜΝΑΣΙUM*], where a special teacher (*σφαιριστικός*) gave instruction in the art.

Among the Romans the game at ball was generally played at by persons before taking the bath, in a room (*sphaeristerium*) attached to the baths for the purpose.

Pila was used in a general sense for any kind of ball: but the balls among the Romans seem to have been of three kinds; the *pila* in its narrower sense, a small ball; the *follis*, a great ball filled with air; and the *paganica*, of which we know scarcely anything, but which appears to have been smaller than the *follis* and larger than the *pila*. The *Harpastum* (from *ἁρπάζω*) seems to have been the name of a ball, which was thrown among the players, each of whom endeavoured to catch it. The persons playing with the *pila* or small ball in the annexed woodcut, are taken from a painting in the baths of Titus; but it is difficult to say what particular kind of game they are playing at. Three of the players have two balls each.



Pila, Ball.

PILA'NI. [EXERCITUS, p. 146.]

PILENTUM, a splendid four-wheeled carriage, furnished with soft cushions, which conveyed the Roman matrons in sacred processions and in going to the Circensian and other games. The *pilentum* was probably very like the *HARMAMAXA* and *CARPENTUM*,

but open at the sides, so that those who sat in it might both see and be seen.

PILEUS or **PILEUM** (*πίλος*, *πίλημα*, *πιλωτόν*), any piece of felt; more especially, a skull-cap of felt, a hat. There seems no reason to doubt that felting is a more ancient invention than weaving [*TELA*], nor that both of these arts came into Europe from Asia. From the Greeks, who were acquainted with this article as early as the age of Homer, the use of felt passed together with its name to the Romans. Its principal use was to make coverings of the head for the male sex, and the most common one was a simple skull-cap.



Pileus, Skull-Cap, worn by Ulysses.

Among the Romans the cap of felt was the emblem of liberty. When a slave obtained his freedom he had his head shaven, and wore instead of his hair an undyed *pileus*. This change of attire took place in the temple of *Feronia*, who was the goddess of freedmen. The figure of Liberty on some of the coins of Antoninus Pius, struck A. D. 145, holds this cap in the right hand.

The *Pelatus* (*πέλατος*) differed from the *pileus* or simple skull-cap in having a wide brim: the etymology of the word, from *πε-*

τάννυι, expresses the distinctive shape of these hats. It was preferred to the skull-cap as a protection from the sun.

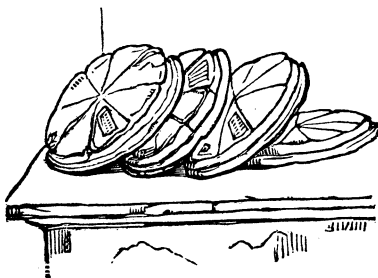


Petasis, Cap, worn by a Greek Soldier.

PILUM. [HASTA.]

PISCINA. [BALNEUM, p. 49.]

PISTOR (ἄρτοποιός), a baker, from *pin-sere*, to pound, since corn was pounded in mortars before the invention of mills. At Rome bread was originally made at home by the women of the house; and there were no persons at Rome who made baking a trade, or any slaves specially kept for this purpose in private houses, till B. C. 173. The name was also given to pastry-cooks and confection-



Loaves of Bread.

ers, in which case they were usually called *pistores d'acierii* or *candidarii*.

Bread was often baked in moulds called *artoptae*, and the loaves thus baked were termed *artopticii*. In one of the bake-houses discovered at Pompeii, several loaves have been found apparently baked in moulds, which may therefore be regarded as *artopticii*; they are represented in the preceding cut. They are flat, and about eight inches in diameter.

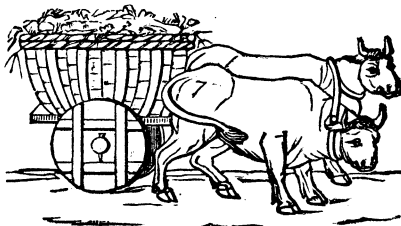
Bread was not generally made at home at Athens, but was sold in the market-place, chiefly by women, called *ἄρτοποιίδες*. These women seem to have been what the fish-women of London are at present; they excelled in abuse.

PLAGIARIUS. [PLAGIUM.]

PLAGIUM, the offence of kidnapping, concealing, and selling freemen and other persons' slaves was the subject of a Fabia Lex (B. C. 183). The penalty of the lex was pecuniary; but this fell into disuse, and persons who offended against the lex were punished according to the nature of their offence; under the empire they were generally condemned to the mines. The word *Plagium* is said to come from the Greek *πλάγιος*, oblique, indirect, *dolosus*. He who committed *plagium* was *plagiarius*, a word which Martial applies to a person who falsely gave himself out as the author of a book; and in this sense the word has come into common use in our language.

PLAUSTRUM or PLOSTRUM (πλαῖστα), a cart or wagon. It had commonly two wheels, but sometimes four, and it was then called the *plaustrum majus*.

Besides the wheels and axle the plaustrum consisted of a strong pole (*temo*), to the hinder part of which was fastened a table of wooden planks. The blocks of stone, or other things to be carried, were either laid upon this table without any other support, or an additional security was obtained by the use either of boards at the sides, or of a large wicker basket tied upon the cart. The annexed cut



Plaustrum, Wagon.

exhibits a cart, the body of which is supplied by a basket.

The commonest kind of cart-wheel was that called *tympanum*, the "drum," from its resemblance to the musical instrument of the same name. It was nearly a foot in thickness, and was made either by sawing the trunk of a tree across in a horizontal direction, or by nailing together boards of the requisite shape and size. (See the cut.) These wheels advanced slowly, and made a loud creaking, which was heard to a great distance.

PLEBES or PLEBS. PLEBEII. This word contains the same root as *im-pleo*, *com-pleo*, &c., and is therefore etymologically connected with *πληθος*, a term which was applied to the plebeians by the more correct Greek writers on Roman history, while others wrongly called them *δημος* or *οι δημοτικοι*.

The plebeians were the body of commons or the commonalty of Rome, and thus constituted one of the two great elements of which the Roman nation consisted, and which has given to the earlier periods of Roman history its peculiar character and interest.

The time when the plebeians first appear as a distinct class of Roman citizens in contradistinction to the patricians, is in the reign of Tullus Hostilius. Alba, the head of the Latin confederacy, was in his reign taken by the Romans and razed to the ground. The most distinguished of its inhabitants were transplanted to Rome and received among the patricians; but the great bulk of Alban citizens, who were likewise transferred to Rome, received settlements on the Caelian hill, and were kept in a state of submission to the *populus Romanus* or the patricians. This new population of Rome, which in number is said to have been equal to the old inhabitants of the city, or the patricians, were the plebeians. They were Latins, and consequently of the same blood as the Ramnes, the noblest of the three patrician tribes. After the conquest of Alba, Rome, in the reign of Ancus Martius, acquired possession of a considerable extent of country, containing a number of dependent Latin towns, as Medullia, Fidenæ, Politorium, Tellenæ, and Ficana. Great numbers of the inhabitants of these towns were again transplanted to Rome, and incorporated with the plebeians already settled there, and the Aventine was assigned to them as their habitation. Some portions of the land which these new citizens had possessed were given back to them by the Romans, so that they remained free land-owners as much as the conquerors themselves, and thus were distinct from the clients.

The plebeians were citizens, but not *optimo jure*; they were perfectly distinct from the patricians, and were neither contained in the three tribes, nor in the curiæ, nor in the patrician gentes. The only point of contact between the two estates was the army. The plebeians were obliged to fight and shed their blood in the defence of their new fellow citizens, without being allowed to share any of their rights or privileges, and without even the right of intermarriage (*connubium*). In all judicial matters they were entirely at the mercy of the patricians, and had no right of appeal against any unjust sentence, though they were not, like the clients, bound to have a patronus. They continued to have their own sacra, which they had had before the conquest, but these were regulated by the patrician pontiffs. Lastly, they were free land-owners, and had their own gentes.

The population of the Roman state thus consisted of two opposite elements; a ruling class or an aristocracy, and the commonalty, which, though of the same stock as the noblest among the rulers, and exceeding them in numbers, yet enjoyed none of the rights which might enable them to take a part in the management of public affairs, religious or civil. Their citizenship resembled the relation of aliens to a state, in which they are merely tolerated on condition of performing certain services, and they are, in fact, sometimes called peregrini. That such a state of things could not last, is a truth which must have been felt by every one who was not blinded by his own selfishness and love of dominion. Tarquinius Priscus was the first who conceived the idea of placing the plebeians on a footing of equality with the old burghers, by dividing them into three tribes, which he intended to call after his own name and those of his friends. But this noble plan was frustrated by the opposition of the augur Attus Navius, who probably acted the part of a representative of the patricians. All that Tarquinius could do was to effect the admission of the noblest plebeian families into the three old tribes, who were distinguished from the old patrician families by the names of Ramnes, Tities, and Luceres secundi, and their gentes are sometimes distinguished by the epithet *minores*, as they entered into the same relation in which the Luceres had been to the first two tribes, before the time of Tarquinius.

It was reserved to his successor, Servius Tullius, to give to the commonalty a regular internal organization, and to determine their relations to the patricians. He first divided the city into four, and then the subject coun-

try around, which was inhabited by plebeians, into twenty-six regions or local tribes, and in these regions he assigned lots of land to those plebeians who were yet without landed property. [TRIBUS.] Each tribe had its præfect, called tribunus. The tribes had also their own sacra, festivals, and meetings (*comitia tributa*), which were convoked by their tribunes.

This division into tribes with tribunes at their heads was no more than an internal organization of the plebeians, analogous to the division of the patricians into thirty curiæ, without conferring upon them the right to interfere in any way in the management of public affairs, or in the elections, which were left entirely to the senate and the curiæ. These rights, however, they obtained by another regulation of Servius Tullius, which was made wholly independent of the thirty tribes. For this purpose he instituted a census, and divided the whole body of Roman citizens, plebeians as well as patricians, into five classes, according to the amount of their property. Taxation and the military duties were arranged according to these classes in such a manner, that the heavier burdens fell upon the wealthier classes. The whole body of citizens thus divided was formed into a great national assembly called *comitatus maximus*, or *comitia centuriata*. [COMITIA.] In this assembly the plebeians now met the patricians apparently on a footing of equality, but the votes were distributed in such a way that it was always in the power of the wealthiest classes, to which the patricians naturally belonged, to decide a question before it was put to the vote of the poorer classes. A great number of such noble plebeian families, as after the subjugation of the Latin towns had not been admitted into the curies by Tarquinius Priscus, were now constituted by Servius into a number of equites, with twelve suffragia in the *comitia centuriata*. [EQUITES.]

In this constitution the plebeians, as such, did not obtain admission to the senate, nor to the highest magistracy, nor to any of the priestly offices. To all these offices the patricians alone thought themselves entitled by divine right. The plebeians also continued to be excluded from occupying any portion of the public land, which as yet was possessed only by the patricians, and they were only allowed to keep their cattle upon the common pasture.

In the early times of the republic there was a constant struggle between the two orders, the history of which belongs to a history of Rome, and cannot be given here. Eventually

the plebeians gained access to all the civil and religious offices, until at last the two hostile elements became united into one great body of Roman citizens with equal rights, and a state of things arose, totally different from what had existed before.

After the first secession, in B.C. 494, the plebeians gained several great advantages. First, a law was passed to prevent the patricians from taking usurious interest of money which they frequently lent to impoverished plebeians; secondly, tribunes were appointed for the protection of the plebeians [TRIBUNI]; and lastly, plebeian aediles were appointed. [ÆDILES.] Shortly after, they gained the right to summon before their own *comitia tributa* any one who had violated the rights of their order, and to make decrees (*plebiscita*), which, however, did not become binding upon the whole nation, free from the control of the curies, until the year B.C. 286. In (B.C. 445), the tribune Canuleius established, by his rogations, the *connubium* between patricians and plebeians. He also attempted to divide the consulship between the two orders, but the patricians frustrated the realization of this plan by the appointment of six military tribunes, who were to be elected from both orders. [TRIBUNI.] But that the plebeians might have no share in the censorial power, with which the consuls had been invested, the military tribunes did not obtain that power, and a new curule dignity, the censorship, was established, with which patricians alone were to be invested. [CENSOR.] In B.C. 421 the plebeians were admitted to the quaestorship, which opened to them the way into the senate, where henceforth their number continued to increase. [QUAESTOR; SENATUS.] In B.C. 367 the tribunes L. Licinius Stolo and L. Sextius placed themselves at the head of the commonalty, and resumed the contest against the patricians. After a fierce struggle, which lasted for several years, they at length carried a rogation, according to which decemvirs were to be appointed for keeping the Sibylline books instead of duumvirs, of whom half were to be plebeians. The next great step was the restoration of the consulship, on condition that one consul should always be a plebeian. A third rogation of Licinius, which was only intended to afford momentary relief to the poor plebeians, regulated the rate of interest. From this time forward the plebeians also appear in the possession of the right to occupy parts of the *ager publicus*. In B.C. 366, L. Sextius Lateranus was the first plebeian consul. The patricians, however, who always contrived to yield no more than what it was absolutely impossible for

them to retain, stripped the consulship of a considerable part of its power, and transferred it to two new curule offices, viz. that of praetor and of curule aedile. [AEDILES; PRAETOR.] But after such great advantages had been once gained by the plebeians, it was impossible to stop them in their progress towards a perfect equality of political rights with the patricians. In B.C. 356, C. Marcus Rutilus was the first plebeian dictator; in B.C. 351 the censorship was thrown open to the plebeians, and in B.C. 336 the praetorship. The Ogulian law, in B.C. 300, also opened to them the offices of pontifex and augur. These advantages were, as might be supposed, not gained without the fiercest opposition of the patricians, and even after they were gained, and sanctioned by law, the patricians exerted every means to obstruct the operation of the law. Such fraudulent attempts led, in B.C. 286, to the last secession of the plebeians, after which, however, the dictator Q. Hortensius successfully and permanently reconciled the two orders, secured to the plebeians all the rights they had acquired until then, and procured for their plebiscita the full power of laws binding upon the whole nation.

After the passing of the Hortensian law, the political distinction between patricians and plebeians ceased, and with a few unimportant exceptions, both orders were placed on a footing of perfect equality. Henceforth the name *populus* is sometimes applied to the plebeians alone, and sometimes to the whole body of Roman citizens, as assembled in the *comitia centuriata* or *tributa*. The term *plebs* or *plebecula*, on the other hand, was applied, in a loose manner of speaking, to the multitude or populace, in opposition to the nobles or the senatorial party.

A person who was born a plebeian could only be raised to the rank of patrician by a *lex curiata*, as was sometimes done during the kingly period, and in the early times of the republic.

It frequently occurs in the history of Rome that one and the same gens contains plebeian as well as patrician families. In the gens Cornelia, for instance, we find the plebeian families of the Balbi, Mammulae, Merulae, &c., along with the patrician Scipiones, Sullae, Lentuli, &c. The occurrence of this phenomenon may be accounted for in different ways. It may have been, that one branch of a plebeian family was made patrician, while the others remained plebeians. It may also have happened that two families had the same nomen gentilicium without being actual members of the same gens. Again, a patrician family might go over to the plebeians,

and as such a family continued to bear the name of its patrician gens, this gens apparently contained a plebeian family. When a peregrinus obtained the *civitas* through the influence of a patrician, or when a slave was emancipated by his patrician master, they generally adopted the nomen gentilicium of their benefactor, and thus appear to belong to the same gens with him.

PLEBISCITUM, a name properly applied to a law passed at the *comitia tributa* on the rogation of a tribune. Originally, a plebiscitum required confirmation by the *comitia curiata* and the senate; but a *Lex Hortensia* was passed, B.C. 286, to the effect that plebiscita should bind all the *populus* (*universus populus*), and this *lex* rendered confirmation unnecessary. The *Lex Hortensia* is always referred to as the *lex* which put plebiscita as to their binding force exactly on the same footing as *leges*. The principal plebiscita are mentioned under the article *LEX*.

ELECTRUM. [LYRA.]

PLOUGH. [ARATRUM.]

PLUTEUS, was applied in military affairs to two different objects. 1. A kind of shed made of hurdles, and covered with raw hides, which could be moved forward by small wheels attached to it, and under which the besiegers of a town made their approaches. 2. Boards or planks placed on the vallum of a camp, on movable towers or other military engines, as a kind of roof or covering for the protection of the soldiers.

PLYNTERIA (πλυντήρια, from πλύνειν, to wash), a festival celebrated at Athens every year, on the 25th of Thargelion, in honour of Minerva, surnamed Aglauros, whose temple stood on the Acropolis. The day of this festival was at Athens among the ἀποορράδες or *dies nefasti*; for the temple of the goddess was surrounded by a rope to preclude all communication with it; her statue was stripped of its garments and ornaments for the purpose of cleaning them, and was in the meanwhile covered over, to conceal it from the sight of man. The city was therefore, so to speak, on this day without its protecting divinity, and any undertaking commenced on it was believed to be necessarily unsuccessful.

PNYX. [ECCLESIA.]

PO'DIUM. [AMPHITHEATRUM.]

POISONING, crime of. [VENEFIICIUM.]

POLEMARCHUS (πολέμαρχος). Respecting the polemarchus at Athens, see ARCHON. We read also of polemarchs at Sparta, and in various cities of Boeotia. As their name denotes, they were originally and properly connected with military affairs, being entrusted either with the command of armies abroad

or the superintendence of the war department at home : sometimes with both. The polemarchs of Sparta appear to have ranked next to the king, when on actual service abroad, and were generally of the royal kindred or house (*γένος*). They commanded single moerae, so that they would appear to have been six in number, and sometimes whole armies. They also formed part of the king's council in war, and of the royal escort called *damosia*. At Thebes there appear to have been two polemarchs, perhaps elected annually ; and in times of peace they seem to have been invested with the chief executive power of the state, and the command of the city, having its military force under their orders. They are not, however, to be confounded with the Boeotarchs.

POLETAÆ (*πωλήται*), a board of ten officers, or magistrates, whose duty it was to grant leases of the public lands and mines, and also to let the revenues arising from the customs, taxes, confiscations, and forfeitures. Of such letting the word *πωλεῖν* (not *μισθούν*) was generally used, and also the correlative words *ὑνεῖσθαι* and *πρίσασθαι*. One was chosen from each tribe. In the letting of the revenue they were assisted by the managers of the theoric fund (*τὸ θεωρικόν*), and they acted under the authority of the senate of Five Hundred, who exercised a general control over the financial department of the administration. Resident aliens, who did not pay their residence tax (*μετοίκιον*), were summoned before them, and, if found to have committed default, were sold.

POLLINCTORES. [Fusus, p. 158.]

POMOERIUM. This word is compounded of *post* and *moerium* (*mur*), in the same manner as *pomeridie* of *post* and *meridie*, and thus signifies a line running by the walls of a town (*pone* or *post muros*). But the walls of a town here spoken of are not its actual walls or fortifications, but symbolical walls, and the course of the pomoerium itself was marked by stone pillars, erected at certain intervals. The sacred line of the Roman pomoerium did not prevent the inhabitants from building upon or taking into use any place beyond it, but it was necessary to leave a certain space on each side of it unoccupied, so as not to unhallow it by profane use. Thus we find that the Aventine, although inhabited from early times, was for many centuries not included within the pomoerium. The pomoerium was not the same at all times ; as the city increased the pomoerium also was extended ; but this extension could, according to ancient usage, only be made by such men as had by their victories over foreign

nations increased the boundaries of the empire, and neither could a pomoerium be formed nor altered without the augurs previously consulting the will of the gods by augury ; hence the *jus pomoerii* of the augurs.

POMPA (*πομπή*), a solemn procession, as on the occasion of a funeral, triumph, &c. It is, however, more particularly applied to the grand procession with which the games of the circus commenced (*Pompa Circensis*). [CIRCUS.]

PONS (*γέφυρα*), a bridge. As the rivers of Greece were small, and the use of the arch known to them only to a limited extent, it is probable that the Greek bridges were built entirely of wood, or, at best, were nothing more than a wooden platform supported upon stone piers at each extremity. Pliny mentions a bridge over the Acheron 1000 feet in length ; and also says that the island Euboea was joined to Boeotia by a bridge ; but it is probable that both these works were executed after the Roman conquest.

The Romans were the first people who applied the arch to the construction of bridges, by which they were enabled to erect structures of great beauty and solidity, as well as utility.

The width of the passage-way in a Roman bridge was commonly narrow, as compared with modern structures of the same kind, and corresponded with the road (*via*) leading to and from it. It was divided into three parts. The centre one, for horses and carriages, was denominated *agger* or *iter* ; and the raised foot paths on each side *decursoria*, which were enclosed by parapet walls similar in use and appearance to the *pluteus* in the basilica.

There were eight bridges across the Tiber. I. Of these the most celebrated, as well as the most ancient, was the PONS SUBLICIUS, so called because it was built of wood ; *sublites*, in the language of the Formiani, meaning wooden beams. It was built by Ancus Martius, when he united the Janiculum to the city, and was situated at the foot of the Aventine.

II. PONS PALATINUS formed the communication between the Palatine and its vicinities and the Janiculum.

III. IV. PONS FABRICIUS and PONS CESTIUS were the two which connected the Insula Tiberina with the opposite sides of the river ; the first with the city, and the latter with the Janiculum. Both are still remaining. They are represented in the annexed woodcut ; that on the right hand is the pons Fabricius, and that on the left the pons Cestius.



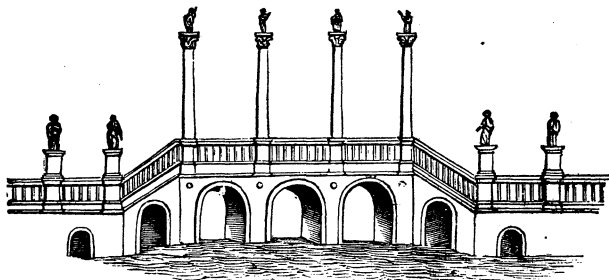
Pons Cestius and Pons Fabricius, at Rome.

V. **PONS JANICULENSIS**, which led direct to the Janiculum.

VI. **PONS VATICANUS**, so called because it formed the communication between the Campus Martius and Campus Vaticanus.

VII. **PONS AELIUS**, built by Hadrian, which led from the city to the mausoleum of that emperor, now the bridge and castle of St. Angelo.

VIII. **PONS MILVIUS**, on the Via Flaminia.



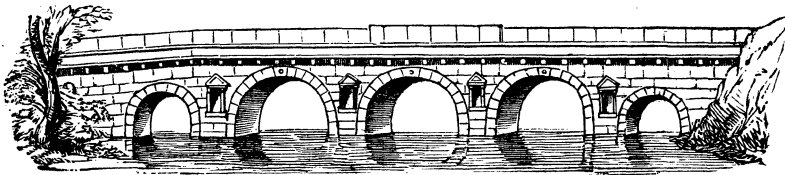
Pons Aelius at Rome.

now Ponte Molle, was built by Aemilius Scaurus the censor.

The Roman bridges without the city were too many to be enumerated here. They formed one of the chief embellishments in all the public roads; and their frequent and stu-

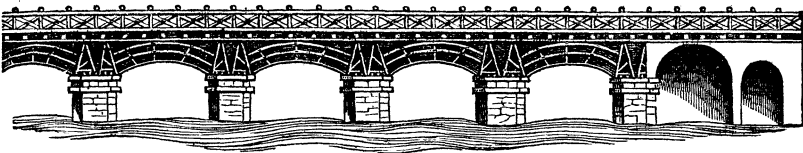
pendous remains, still existing in Italy, Portugal, and Spain, attest, even to the present day, the scale of grandeur with which the Roman works of national utility were always carried on.

The bridge which Trajan built across the



Bridge at Ariminum.

Danube was one of the greatest efforts of human ingenuity. The form is given in the following woodcut, from a representation of it on the column of Trajan at Rome.



Bridge of Trajan across the Danube.

When the comitia were held, the voters, in order to reach the enclosure called *septum* and *ovile*, passed over a wooden platform, elevated above the ground, which was called *pons suffragiorum*, in order that they might be able to give their votes without confusion or collusion. [COMITIA.]

Pons is also used to signify the platform (*ἐπιβάθρα, ἀποβάθρα*), used for embarking in, or disembarking on, a ship.

PONTIFEX (*ἱεροδιδάσκαλος, ἱερονόμος, ἱεροφύλαξ, ἱεροφάντης*). The origin of this word is explained in various ways; but it is probably formed from *pons* and *facere* (in the signification of the Greek *ῥέζειν*, to perform a sacrifice), and consequently signifies the priests who offered sacrifices upon the bridge. The ancient sacrifice to which the name thus alludes, is that of the *Argei* on the sacred or sublician bridge. [ARGEI.]

The Roman pontiffs formed the most illustrious among the great colleges of priests. Their institution, like that of all important matters of religion, was ascribed to Numa. The number of pontiffs appointed by this king was four, and at their head was the pontifex maximus, who is generally not included when the number of pontiffs is mentioned. It is probable that the original number of four pontiffs (not including the pontifex maximus) had reference to the two earliest tribes of the Romans, the Ramnes and Tities, so that each tribe was represented by two pontiffs. In the year B. C. 300 the Ogulnian law raised the number of pontiffs to eight, or, including the pontifex maximus, to nine, and four of them were to be plebeians. The pontifex maximus, however, continued to be a patrician down to the year B. C. 254, when Tib. Coruncanius was the first plebeian who was invested with this dignity. This number of pontiffs remained for a long time unaltered, until in B. C. 81 the dictator Sulla increased it to fifteen, and J. Caesar to sixteen. In both these changes the pontifex maximus is included in the number. During the empire the number varied, though on the whole fifteen appears to have been the regular number.

The mode of appointing the pontiffs was also different at different times. It appears

that after their institution by Numa, the college had the right of co-optation, that is, if a member of the college died (for all the pontiffs held their office for life), the members met and elected a successor, who, after his election, was inaugurated by the augurs. This election was sometimes called *captio*. In B. C. 104 a Lex Domitia was passed, which transferred the right of electing the members of the great colleges of priests to the people (probably in the comitia tributa); that is, the people elected a candidate, who was then made a member of the college by the co-optatio of the priests themselves, so that the co-optatio, although still necessary, became a mere matter of form. The Lex Domitia was repealed by Sulla in a Lex Cornelia de Sacerdotiis (B. C. 81), which restored to the great priestly colleges their full right of co-optatio. In B. C. 63 the law of Sulla was abolished, and the Domitian law was restored, but not in its full extent; for it was now determined, that in case of a vacancy the college itself should nominate two candidates, and the people elect one of them. M. Antonius again restored the right of co-optatio to the college.

The college of pontiffs had the supreme superintendence of all matters of religion, and of things and persons connected with public as well as private worship. They had the judicial decision in all matters of religion, whether private persons, magistrates, or priests were concerned, and in cases where the existing laws or customs were found defective or insufficient, they made new laws and regulations (*decreta pontificum*), in which they always followed their own judgment as to what was consistent with the existing customs and usages. The details of these duties and functions were contained in books called *libri pontificii* or *pontificales*, *commentarii sacrorum* or *sacrorum pontificalium*, which they were said to have received from Numa, and which were sanctioned by Ancus Marcius.

As to the rights and duties of the pontiffs, it must first of all be borne in mind, that the pontiffs were not priests of any particular divinity, but a college which stood above all other priests and superintended the whole

external worship of the gods. One of their principal duties was the regulation of the *sacra*, both *publica* and *privata*, and to watch that they were observed at the proper times (for which purpose the pontiffs had the whole regulation of the calendar, see *CALENDARUM*), and in their proper form. In the management of the *sacra publica* they were in latter times assisted in certain duties by the *Triumviri Epulones*. [EPULONES.]

The pontiffs convoked the assembly of the *curies* (*comitia calata* or *curiata*) in cases where priests were to be appointed, and *flamines* or a *rex sacrorum* were to be inaugurated; also when wills were to be received, and when a *detestatio sacrorum* and adoption by *adrogatio* took place. [ADOPTIO.]

In most cases the sentence of the pontiffs only inflicted a fine upon the offenders; but the person fined had the right of appealing to the people, who might release him from the fine. In regard to the vestal virgins, and the persons who committed incest with them, the pontiffs had criminal jurisdiction, and might pronounce sentence of death. A man who had violated a vestal virgin was, according to an ancient law, scourged to death by the pontifex maximus in the *comitium*, and it appears that originally neither the vestal virgins nor the male offenders in such a case had any right of appeal. In later times we find that, even when the pontiffs had passed sentence upon vestal virgins, a tribune interfered, and induced the people to appoint a *quaestor* for the purpose of making a fresh inquiry into the case; and it sometimes happened that after this new trial the sentence of the pontiffs was modified or annulled. Such cases, however, seem to have been mere irregularities, founded upon an abuse of the tribunitian power. In the early times the pontiffs were in the exclusive possession of the civil as well as religious law, until the former was made public by Cn. Flavius. The regulations which served as a guide to the pontiffs in their judicial proceedings, formed a large collection of laws, which was called the *jus pontificium*, and formed part of the *Libri Pontificii*.

The meetings of the college of pontiffs, to which in some instances the *flamines* and the *rex sacrorum* were summoned, were held in the *curia regia* or the *Via Sacra*, to which was attached the residence of the pontifex maximus and of the *rex sacrorum*. As the chief pontiff was obliged to live in a *domus publica*, Augustus, when he assumed this dignity, changed part of his own house into a *domus publica*. All the pontiffs were in their appearance distinguished by the conic cap,

called *tutulus* or *galerus*, with an apex upon it, and the *toga praetexta*.

The pontifex maximus was the president of the college, and acted in its name, whence he alone is frequently mentioned in cases in which he must be considered only as the organ of the college. He was generally chosen from among the most distinguished persons, and such as had held a *curule magistracy*, or were already members of the college. Two of his especial duties were to appoint (*capere*) the vestal virgins and the *flamines* [VESTALES; FLAMEN], and to be present at every marriage by *confarreatio*. When festive games were vowed, or a dedication made, the chief pontiff had to repeat over, before the persons who made the vow or the dedication, the formula in which it was to be performed (*praire verba*). During the period of the republic, when the people exercised sovereign power in every respect, we find that if the pontiff, on constitutional or religious grounds, refused to perform this solemnity, he might be compelled by the people.

A pontifex might, like all the members of the great priestly colleges, hold any other military, civil, or priestly office, provided the different offices did not interfere with one another. Thus we find one and the same person being pontiff, *augur*, and *decemvir sacrorum*; instances of a pontifex maximus being at the same time *consul* are very numerous. But whatever might be the civil or military office which a pontifex maximus held beside his pontificate, he was not allowed originally to leave Italy.

The college of pontiffs continued to exist until the overthrow of paganism. The emperors themselves were always chief pontiffs, and as such the presidents of the college; hence the title of pontifex maximus (P. M. or PON. M.) appears on several coins of the emperors. If there were several emperors at a time, only one bore the title of pontifex maximus; but in the year A. D. 238 we find that each of the two emperors Maximus and Balbinus assumed this dignity. From the time of Theodosius the emperors no longer appear in the dignity of pontiff; but at last the title was assumed by the Christian bishop of Rome.

There were other pontiffs at Rome, who were distinguished by the epithet *Minores*. They appear to have been originally only the secretaries of the pontiffs; and when the real pontiffs began to neglect their duties, and to leave the principal business to be done by their secretaries, it became customary to designate these scribes by the name of Pontifices Minores. The number of these secretaries is uncertain.

POPA. [SACRIFICIUM.]

POPINA. [CAUPONA.]

POPULARIA. [AMPHITHEATRUM.]

POPULUS. [PATRIUM.]

POPULIFUGIA or POPLIFUGIA, the day of the people's flight, was celebrated on the *nones* of July, according to an ancient tradition, in commemoration of the flight of the people, when the inhabitants of Ficulæ, Fidenæ, and other places round about, appeared in arms against Rome shortly after the departure of the Gauls, and produced such a panic that the Romans suddenly fled before them. Other writers say that the Populifugia was celebrated in commemoration of the flight of the people before the Tuscans; while others again refer its origin to the flight of the people on the death of Romulus.

PORISTAE (πορισταί), magistrates at Athens, who probably levied the extraordinary supplies.

PORTICUS (στυά), a walk covered with a roof, and supported by columns, at least on one side. Such shaded walks and places of resort are almost indispensable in the southern countries of Europe, where people live much in the open air, as a protection from the heat of the sun and from rain. The porticoes attached to the temples were either constructed only in front of them or went round the whole building, as is the case in the so-called Temple of Theseus at Athens. They were originally intended as places for those persons to assemble and converse in who visited the temple for various purposes. As such temple-porticoes, however, were found too small, or not suited for the various purposes of private and public life, most Grecian towns had independent porticoes, some of which were very extensive; and in most of these *stoa*e, seats (*exedrae*) were placed, that those who were tired might sit down. They were frequented not only by idle loungers, but also by philosophers, rhetoricians, and other persons fond of intellectual conversation. The Stoic school of philosophy derived its name from the circumstance, that the founder of it used to converse with his disciples in a *stoa*. The Romans derived their great fondness for such covered walks from the Greeks; and as luxuries among them were carried in everything to a greater extent than in Greece, wealthy Romans had their private porticoes, sometimes in the city itself, and sometimes in their country-seats. In the public porticoes of Rome, which were exceedingly numerous and very extensive (as that around the Forum and the Campus Martius), a variety of business was occasionally transacted: we find that law-suits were conducted here,

meetings of the senate held, goods exhibited for sale, &c.

PORTISCVLUS (κελευστής), an officer in a ship, who gave the signal to the rowers, that they might keep time in rowing. This officer is sometimes called *Hortator* or *Pausarius*.

PORTITORES. [PUBLICANI.]

PORTORIUM, a branch of the regular revenues of the Roman state, consisting of the duties paid on imported and exported goods. A portorium, or duty upon imported goods, appears to have been paid at a very early period, for it is said that Valerius Poplicola exempted the plebes from the portoria at the time when the republic was threatened with an invasion by Porsena. The time of its introduction is uncertain; but the abolition of it, ascribed to Poplicola, can only have been a temporary measure; and as the expenditure of the republic increased, new portoria must have been introduced. In conquered places, and in the provinces, the import and export duties, which had been paid there before, were generally not only retained, but increased, and appropriated to the aerarium. Sicily, and above all, Asia, furnished to the Roman treasury large sums, which were raised as portoria. In b. c. 60 all the portoria in the ports of Italy were done away with by a Lex Caecilia, but were restored by Julius Caesar and the subsequent emperors.

Respecting the amount of the import or export duties we have but little information. In the time of Cicero the portorium in the ports of Sicily was one-twentieth (*vicesima*) of the value of taxable articles; and it is probable that this was the average sum raised in all the other provinces. In the times of the emperors the ordinary rate of the portorium appears to have been the fortieth part (*quadragesima*) of the value of imported goods; and at a later period the exorbitant sum of one-eighth (*octava*) is mentioned.

The portorium was, like all other vectigalia, farmed out by the censors to the publicani, who collected it through the *portitores*. [VECTIGALIA: PUBLICANI.]

POSSESSIO. [AGER PUBLICUS.]

POSTICUM. [JANUA.]

POSTLIMINIUM, POSTLIMINII JUS.

If a Roman citizen during war came into the possession of an enemy, he sustained a *diminutio capitis maxima* [CAPUT], and all his civil rights were in abeyance. Being captured by the enemy, he became a slave; but his rights over his children, if he had any, were not destroyed, but were said to be in abeyance (*pendere*) by virtue of the *Jus Postliminii*: when he returned, his children were again in his

power; and if he died in captivity, they became *sui juris*. Sometimes by an act of the state a man was given up bound to an enemy, and if the enemy would not receive him, it was a question whether he had the *Jus Postliminii*. This was the case with Sp. Postumius, who was given up to the Samnites, and with C. Hostilius Mancinus, who was given up to the Numantines; but the better opinion was, that they had no *Jus Postliminii*, and Mancinus was restored to his civic rights by a *lex*. It appears that the *Jus Postliminii* was founded on the fiction of the captive having never been absent from home; a fiction which was of easy application, for, as the captive during his absence could not do any legal act, the interval of captivity was a period of legal non-activity, which was terminated by his showing himself again.

POTESTAS. [PATRIA POTESTAS.]

PRAECTORES (πράκτορες), subordinate officers at Athens, who collected the fines and penalties (ἐπιβολὰς and τιμῆματα) imposed by magistrates and courts of justice, and payable to the state.

PRAECINCTIO. [AMPHITHEATRUM.]

PRAECONES, criers, were employed for various purposes: 1. In sales by auction, they frequently advertized the time, place, and conditions of sale: they seem also to have acted the part of the modern auctioneer, so far as calling out the biddings and amusing the company, though the property was knocked down by the *magister auctionis*. [AUCTION.] 2. In all public assemblies they ordered silence. 3. In the *comitia* they called the centuries one by one to give their votes, pronounced the vote of each century, and called out the names of those who were elected. They also recited the laws that were to be passed. 4. In trials, they summoned the accuser and the accused, the plaintiff and defendant. 5. In the public games they invited the people to attend, and proclaimed the victors. 6. In solemn funerals they also invited people to attend by a certain form; hence these funerals were called *funera indictiva*. 7. When things were lost, they cried them and searched for them. 8. In the infliction of capital punishment, they sometimes conveyed the commands of the magistrates to the lictors.

Their office, called *Praeconium*, appears to have been regarded as rather disreputable: in the time of Cicero a law was passed preventing all persons who had been praecones from becoming decuriones in the municipia. Under the early emperors, however, it became very profitable, which was no doubt partly owing to fees, to which they were entitled in the

courts of justice, and partly to the bribes which they received from the suitors, &c.

PRAEFECTUS AERARII. [AERARIUM.]

PRAEFECTUS ANNONAE, the praefect of the provisions, especially of the corn-market, was not a regular magistrate under the republic, but was only appointed in cases of extraordinary scarcity, when he seems to have regulated the prices at which corn was to be sold. Augustus created an officer under the title of *Praefectus Annonae*, who had jurisdiction over all matters appertaining to the corn-market, and, like the *Praefectus Vigilum*, was chosen from the equites, and was not reckoned among the ordinary magistrates.

PRAEFECTUS AQUARUM. [AQUAE DUCTUS.]

PRAEFECTUS CASTRORUM, praefect of the camp, is first mentioned in the reign of Augustus. There was one to each legion.

PRAEFECTUS CLASSIS, the commander of a fleet. This title was frequently given in the times of the republic to the commander of a fleet; but Augustus appointed two permanent officers with this title, one of whom was stationed at Ravenna on the Adriatic, and the other at Misenum on the Tuscan sea, each having the command of a fleet.

PRAEFECTUS FABRUM. [FABRI.]

PRAEFECTUS JURI DICUNDO. [COLONIA, p. 92.]

PRAEFECTUS LEGIONIS. [EXERCITUS, p. 147.]

PRAEFECTUS PRAETORIO, was the commander of the troops who guarded the emperor's person. [PRAETORIANI.] This office was instituted by Augustus, and was at first only military, and had comparatively small power attached to it; but under Tiberius, who made Sejanus commander of the praetorian troops, it became of much greater importance, till at length the power of these praefects became only second to that of the emperors. From the reign of Severus to that of Diocletian, the praefects, like the vizirs of the east, had the superintendence of all departments of the state, the palace, the army, the finances, and the law: they also had a court in which they decided cases. The office of praefect of the praetorium was not confined to military officers: it was filled by Ulpian and Papinian, and other distinguished jurists.

Originally there were two praefects; afterwards sometimes one and sometimes two, from the time of Commodus sometimes three and even four. They were, as a regular rule,

chosen only from the equites; but from the time of Alexander Severus the dignity of senator was always joined with their office.

PRAEFECTUS VIGILUM, the commander of the city guards. To protect the state against fires at night, robbery, house-breaking, &c., Augustus formed seven cohorts of watch-soldiers (*Vigiles*), originally consisting of freedmen, but afterwards of others, one for each of the two regiones into which the city was divided; each cohort was commanded by a tribune, and the whole were under a praefectus vigilum, who had jurisdiction in all ordinary cases of incendiaries, thieves, &c.; but if anything extraordinary occurred, it was his duty to report it to the praefectus urbi. This praefect was chosen from the equites, and was not reckoned among the ordinary magistrates.

PRAEFECTUS URBI, praefect or warden of the city, was originally called *Custos Urbis*. The name *praefectus urbi* does not seem to have been used till after the time of the decemvirs. The dignity of *custos urbis*, being combined with that of *princeps senatus*, was conferred by the king, as he had to appoint one of the decem primi as princeps senatus. The functions of the *custos urbis*, however, were not exercised except in the absence of the king from Rome; and then he acted as the representative of the king: he convoked the senate, held the comitia, if necessary, and on any emergency, might take such measures as he thought proper; in short, he had the imperium in the city. During the kingly period, the office of *custos urbis* was probably for life. Under the republic, the office, and its name of *custos urbis*, remained unaltered; but in B. C. 487 it was elevated into a magistracy, to be bestowed by election. The *custos urbis* was, in all probability, elected by the curiae. Persons of consular rank were alone eligible. In the early period of the republic the *custos urbis* exercised within the city all the powers of the consuls, if they were absent: he convoked the senate, held the comitia, and, in times of war, even levied civic legions, which were commanded by him.

When the office of praetor urbanus was instituted, the wardenship of the city was swallowed up in it; but as the Romans were at all times averse to dropping altogether any of their old institutions, a praefectus urbi, though a mere shadow of the former office, was henceforth appointed every year, only for the time that the consuls were absent from Rome for the purpose of celebrating the *Feriae Latinae*. This praefectus had neither the power of convoking the senate nor the right of speaking in it; in most cases he was a person

below the senatorial age, and was not appointed by the people, but by the consuls.

An office very different from this, though bearing the same name, was instituted by Augustus on the suggestion of Maecenas. This new praefectus urbi was a regular and permanent magistrate, whom Augustus invested with all the powers necessary to maintain peace and order in the city. He had the superintendence of butchers, bankers, guardians, theatres, &c.; and to enable him to exercise his power, he had distributed throughout the city a number of *milites stationarii*, whom we may compare to a modern police. His jurisdiction, however, became gradually extended; and as the powers of the ancient republican praefectus urbi had been swallowed up by the office of the praetor urbanus, so now the power of the praetor urbanus was gradually absorbed by that of the praefectus urbi; and at last there was no appeal from his sentence, except to the person of the princeps himself, while anybody might appeal from the sentence of any other city magistrate, and, at a later period, even from that of a governor of a province, to the tribunal of the praefectus urbi.

PRAEFECTURA. [COLONIA, p. 92.]

PRAEFICAE. [FUNUS, p. 163.]

PRAELUSIO. [GLADIATORES, p. 167.]

PRAENOMEN. [NOMEN.]

PRAEROGATIVA CENTURIA [COMITIA, pp. 96, 96.]

PRAES, is a surety for one who buys of the state. The goods of a Praes were called *Praedia*. The *Praedicator* was a person who bought a *praedium*, that is, a thing given to the state as a security by a praes.

PRAESES. [PROVINCIA.]

PRAESUL. [SALII.]

PRAETEXTA. [Toga.]

PRAETOR (*στρατηγός*), was originally a title which designated the consuls as the leaders of the armies of the state. The period and office of the command of the consuls might appropriately be called *Praetorium*. Praetor was also a title of office among the Latins.

The first praetor specially so called was appointed in B. C. 366, and he was chosen only from the patricians, who had this new office created as a kind of indemnification to themselves for being compelled to share the consulship with the plebeians. No plebeian praetor was appointed till the year B. C. 337. The praetor was called *collega consulibus*, and was elected with the same auspices at the comitia centuriata.

The praetorship was originally a kind of third consulship, and the chief functions of the praetor (*jus in urbe dicere, jura reddere*)

were a portion of the functions of the consuls. The praetor sometimes commanded the armies of the state; and while the consuls were absent with the armies, he exercised their functions within the city. He was a magistratus curulis, and he had the imperium, and consequently was one of the magistratus majores: but he owed respect and obedience to the consuls. His insignia of office were six lictors; but at a later period he had only two lictors in Rome. The praetorship was at first given to a consul of the preceding year.

In B. C. 246 another praetor was appointed, whose business was to administer justice in matters in dispute between peregrini, or peregrini and Roman citizens; and accordingly he was called *praetor peregrinus*. The other praetor was then called *praetor urbanus*, *qui jus inter cives dicit*, and sometimes simply *praetor urbanus* and *praetor urbis*. The two praetors determined by lot which functions they should respectively exercise. If either of them was at the head of the army, the other performed all the duties of both within the city. Sometimes the military imperium of a praetor was prolonged for a second year. When the territories of the state were extended beyond the limits of Italy, new praetors were made. Thus, two praetors were created B. C. 227, for the administration of Sicily and Sardinia, and two more were added when the two Spanish provinces were formed, B. C. 197. When there were six praetors, two stayed in the city, and the other four went abroad. The senate determined their provinces, which were distributed among them by lot. After the discharge of his judicial functions in the city, a praetor often had the administration of a province, with the title of *propraetor*. Sulla increased the number of praetors to eight, which Julius Caesar raised successively to ten, twelve, fourteen, and sixteen. Augustus, after several changes, fixed the number at twelve. Under Tiberius there were sixteen. Two praetors were appointed by Claudius for matters relating to *fideicommissa*, when the business in this department of the law had become considerable, but Titus reduced the number to one; and Nerva added a praetor for the decision of matters between the *fiscus* and individuals. Thus there were eventually eighteen praetors, who administered justice in the state.

The praetor urbanus was specially named praetor, and he was the first in rank. His duties confined him to Rome, as is implied by the name, and he could only leave the city for ten days at a time. It was part of his duty to superintend the Ludi Apollinares. He was also the chief magistrate for the administra-

tion of justice; and to the edicts of the successive praetors the Roman law owes in a great degree its development and improvement. Both the praetor urbanus and the praetor peregrinus had the *jus edicendi*, and their functions in this respect do not appear to have been limited on the establishment of the imperial power, though it must have been gradually restricted, as the practice of imperial constitutions and rescripts became common. [EDICTUM.]

The chief judicial functions of the praetor in civil matters consisted in giving a *judex*. [JUDEX.] It was only in the case of interdicts that he decided in a summary way. [INTERDICTUM.] Proceedings before the praetor were technically said to be *in jure*.

The praetors also presided at trials of criminal matters. These were the *quaestiones perpetuae*, or the trials for *repetundae*, *ambitus*, *majestas*, and *peculatus*, which, when there were six praetors, were assigned to four out of the number. Sulla added to these *quaestiones* those of *falsum*, *de sicariis* et *veneficis*, and *de parricidis*, and for this purpose he added two, or, according to some accounts, four praetors. On these occasions the praetor presided, but a body of *judices* determined by a majority of votes the condemnation or acquittal of the accused. [JUDEX.]

The praetor, when he administered justice, sat on a *sella curulis* in a tribunal, which was that part of the court which was appropriated to the praetor and his assessors and friends, and is opposed to the *subsellia*, or part occupied by the *judices*, and others who were present.

PRAETORIA COHORS. [PRAETORIANI.]

PRAETORIA'NI, sc. *milites*, or *praetoriae cohortes*, a body of troops instituted by Augustus to protect his person and his power, and called by that name in imitation of the *praetoria cohors*, or select troops which attended the person of the praetor or general of the Roman army. They originally consisted of nine or ten cohorts, each comprising a thousand men, horse and foot. Augustus, in accordance with his general policy of avoiding the appearance of despotism, stationed only three of these cohorts in the capital, and dispersed the remainder in the adjacent towns of Italy. Tiberius, however, under pretence of introducing a stricter discipline among them, assembled them all at Rome in a permanent camp, which was strongly fortified. Their number was increased by Vitellius to sixteen cohorts, or 16,000 men.

The praetorians were distinguished by double pay and especial privileges. Their

term of service was originally fixed by Augustus at twelve years, but was afterwards increased to sixteen years; and when they had served their time, each soldier received 20,000 sesterces. They soon became the most powerful body in the state, and, like the janissaries at Constantinople, frequently deposed and elevated emperors according to their pleasure. Even the most powerful of the emperors were obliged to court their favour; and they always obtained a liberal donation upon the accession of each sovereign. After the death of Pertinax (A. D. 193) they even offered the empire for sale, which was purchased by Didius Julianus; but upon the accession of Severus in the same year they were disbanded, on account of the part they had taken in the death of Pertinax, and banished from the city. The emperors, however, could not dispense with guards, and accordingly the praetorians were restored on a new model by Severus, and increased to four times their ancient number. Diocletian reduced their numbers and abolished their privileges; they were still allowed to remain at Rome, but had no longer the guard of the emperor's person, as he never resided in the capital. Their numbers were again increased by Maxentius; but after his defeat by Constantine, A. D. 312, they were entirely suppressed by the latter, their fortified camp destroyed, and those who had not perished in the battle between Constantine and Maxentius were dispersed among the legions.

The commander of the praetorians was called **PRAEFECTUS PRAETORII**.

PRAETORIUM, the name of the general's tent in the camp, and so called because the name of the chief Roman magistrate was originally praetor, and not consul. [**CASTRÀ**.] The officers who attended on the general in the *praetorium*, and formed his council of war, were called by the same name. The word was also used in several other significations, which were derived from the original one. Thus the residence of a governor of a province was called the *praetorium*; and the same name was also given to any large house or palace. The camp of the praetorian troops at Rome, and frequently the praetorian troops themselves, were called by this name. [**PRAETORIANI**.]

PRA'NDIUM. [**COENA**, p. 87.]

PRELUM. [**VINUM**.]

PRIESTS. [**SACERDOS**.]

PRIMPILUS. [**CENTURIO**.]

PRINCEPS JUVENTUTIS. [**EQUITES**, 140.]

PRINCEPS SENATUS. [**SENATUS**.]

PRINCIPES. [**EXERCITUS**, p. 146.]

PRINCIPIA, PRINCIPALIS VIA. [**CAS-TRA**.]

PRISON. [**CARCER**.]

PRIVILEGIUM. [**LEX**, p. 189.]

PROBOLE (*προβολή*), an accusation of a criminal nature, preferred before the people of Athens in assembly, with a view to obtain their sanction for bringing the charge before a judicial tribunal. The *probolé* was reserved for those cases where the public had sustained an injury, or where, from the station, power, or influence of the delinquent, the prosecutor might deem it hazardous to proceed in the ordinary way without being authorized by a vote of the sovereign assembly. In this point it differed from the *eisangelia*, that in the latter the people were called upon either to pronounce final judgment, or to direct some peculiar method of trial; whereas, in the *probolé*, after the judgment of the assembly, the parties proceeded to trial in the usual manner.

The cases to which the *probolé* was applied were, complaints against magistrates for official misconduct or oppression; against those public informers and mischief-makers who were called *sycophantae* (*συκοφάνται*); against those who outraged public decency at the religious festivals; and against all such as by evil practices exhibited disaffection to the state.

PROBOULEUMA. [**BOULE**, p. 53.]

PROBOULI (*πρόβουλοι*), a name applicable to any persons who are appointed to consult or take measures for the benefit of the people. Ten *probouli* were appointed at Athens, after the end of the Sicilian war, to act as a committee of public safety. Their authority did not last much longer than a year; for a year and a half afterwards Pisander and his colleagues established the council of Four Hundred, by which the democracy was overthrown.

PROCONSUL (*ἀνθύπατος*), an officer who acted in the place of a consul, without holding the office of consul itself. The proconsul, however, was generally one who had held the office of consul, so that the proconsulship was a continuation, though a modified one, of the consulship. The first time when the imperium of a consul was prolonged, was in A. C. 327, in the case of Q. Publilius Philo, whose return to Rome would have been followed by the loss of most of the advantages that had been gained in his campaign. The power of proconsul was conferred by a *senatus-consultum* and *plebiscitum*, and was nearly equal to that of a regular consul, for he had the imperium and jurisdiction, but it differed inasmuch as it did not extend over the city

and its immediate vicinity, and was conferred, without the auspica, by a mere decree of the senate and people, and not in the comitia for elections.

When the number of Roman provinces had become great, it was customary for the consuls, who during the latter period of the republic spent the year of their consulship at Rome, to undertake at its close the conduct of a war in a province, or its peaceful administration, with the title of proconsuls. There are some extraordinary cases on record in which a man obtained a province with the title of proconsul without having held the consulship before. The first case of this kind occurred in B. C. 211, when young P. Cornelius Scipio was created proconsul of Spain in the comitia centuriata.

PROCURATOR, a person who has the management of any business committed to him by another. Thus it is applied to a person who maintains or defends an action on behalf of another, or, as we should say, an attorney [ACTIO]: to a steward in a family [CALCULATOR]: to an officer in the provinces belonging to the Caesar, who attended to the duties discharged by the quaestor in the other provinces [PROVINCIA]: to an officer engaged in the administration of the fiscus [FISCUS]: and to various other officers under the empire.

PRODIGIUM, in its widest acceptation, denotes any sign by which the gods indicated to men a future event, whether good or evil, and thus includes omens and auguries of every description. It is, however, generally employed in a more restricted sense, to signify some strange incident or wonderful appearance which was supposed to herald the approach of misfortune, and happened under such circumstances as to announce that the calamity was impending over a whole community or nation rather than over private individuals. The word may be considered synonymous with *ostentum*, *monstrum*, *portentum*.

Since prodigies were viewed as direct manifestations of the wrath of heaven, it was believed that this wrath might be appeased by prayers and sacrifices duly offered to the offended powers. This being a matter which deeply concerned the public welfare, the necessary rites were in ancient times regularly performed, under the direction of the pontifices, by the consuls before they left the city, the solemnities being called *procuratio prodigiorum*.

PROEDRI. [BOULE, p. 53.]

PROFESTI DIES. [DIES.]

PROLETARIIL. [CAPUT.]

PROMETHEIA (προμήθεια), a festival

celebrated at Athens in honour of Prometheus. It was one of the five Attic festivals, which were held with a torch-race in the Ceramicus [comp. LAMPADOPHORIA], for which the gymnasiarchs had to supply the youths from the gymnasia. Prometheus himself was believed to have instituted this torch-race, whence he was called the torch-bearer.

PROMULSIS. [COENA.]

PRO'NUBAE, PRO'NUBI. [MATRIMONIUM, p. 214.]

PROPERTY-TAX, at Athens [EISPHORA], at Rome [TRIBUTUM].

PROPRÆTOR. [PRÆTOR, p. 262.]

PROQUAESTOR. [QUAESTOR.]

PRORA. [NAVIS, p. 222.]

PROSCENIUM. [THEATRUM.]

PROSCRIPTIO. The verb *proscribere* properly signifies to exhibit a thing for sale by means of a bill or advertisement. But in the time of Sulla it assumed a very different meaning, for he applied it to a measure of his own invention (B. C. 82), namely, the sale of the property of those who were put to death at his command, and who were themselves called *proscripti*. After this example of a proscription had once been set, it was readily adopted by those in power during the civil commotions of subsequent years. In the proscription of Antonius, Caesar, and Lepidus (B. C. 43), Cicero and some of the most distinguished Romans were put to death.

PRO'STATES (προστάτης). [LIBERTUS.]

PROVINCIA. This word is merely a shortened form of *providentia*, and was frequently used in the sense of "a duty" or "matter entrusted to a person." But it is ordinarily employed to denote a part of the Roman dominion beyond Italy, which had a regular organization, and was under Roman administration. Livy likewise uses the word to denote a district or enemy's country, which was assigned to a general as a field of his operations, before the establishment of any provincial governments.

The Roman state in its complete development consisted of two parts with a distinct organization, *Italia* and the *Provinciae*. There were no *Provinciae* in this sense of the word till the Romans had extended their conquests beyond Italy; and Sicily was the first country that was made a Roman province: Sardinia was made a province B. C. 235. The Roman province of Gallia Ulterior in the time of Caesar was sometimes designated simply by the term *Provincia*, a name which has been perpetuated in the modern Provence.

A conquered country received its provincial organization either from the Roman commander, whose acts required the approval of the

senate; or the government was organized by the commander and a body of commissioners appointed by the senate out of their own number. The mode of dealing with a conquered country was not uniform. When constituted a provincia, it did not become to all purposes an integral part of the Roman state; it retained its national existence, though it lost its sovereignty. The organization of Sicily was completed by P. Rupilius with the aid of ten legates. The island was formed into two districts, with Syracuse for the chief town of the eastern and Lilybaeum of the western district: the whole island was administered by a governor annually sent from Rome. He was assisted by two quaestors, and was accompanied by a train of praefices, scribae, haruspices, and other persons, who formed his cohorts. The quaestors received from the Roman aerarium the necessary sums for the administration of the island, and they also collected the taxes, except those which were farmed by the censors at Rome. One quaestor resided at Lilybaeum, and the other with the governor or praetor at Syracuse.

For the administration of justice, the island was divided into *Fora* or *Conventus*, which were territorial divisions. [CONVENTUS.] The island was bound to furnish and maintain soldiers and sailors for the service of Rome, and to pay tribute for the carrying on of wars. The governor could take provisions for the use of himself and his cohorts on condition of paying for them. The Roman state had also the portoria which were let to farm to Romans at Rome.

The governor had complete jurisdiction in the island, with the imperium and potestas. He could delegate these powers to his quaestors, but there was always an appeal to him, and for this and other purposes he made circuits through the different conventus.

Such was the organization of Sicilia as a province, which may be taken as a sample of the general character of Roman provincial government.

The governor upon entering on his duties published an edict, which was often framed upon the Edictum Urbanum. Cicero, when proconsul of Cilicia, says, that on some matters he framed an edict of his own, and that as to others he referred to the Edicta Urbana.

There was one great distinction between Italy and the provinces as to the nature of property in land. Provincial land could not be an object of Quiritarian ownership, and it was accordingly appropriately called *Possessio*. Provincial land could be transferred without the forms required in the case of Italian

land, but it was subject to the payment of a land-tax (*vectigal*).

The Roman provinces up to the battle of Actium are: Sicilia; Sardinia et Corsica; Hispania Citerior et Ulterior; Gallia Citerior; Gallia Narbonensis et Comata; Illyricum; Macedonia; Achaia; Asia; Cilicia; Syria; Bithynia et Pontus; Cyprus; Africa; Cyrenaica et Creta; Numidia; Mauritania. Those of a subsequent date, which were either new or arose from division, are: Rhaetia; Noricum; Panonia; Moesia; Dacia; Britannia; Mauritania; Caesariensis and Tingitana; Aegyptus; Cappadocia; Galatia; Rhodus; Lycia; Commagene; Judaea; Arabia; Mesopotamia; Armenia; Assyria.

At first praetors were appointed as governors of provinces, but afterwards they were appointed to the government of provinces upon the expiration of their year of office at Rome, and with the title of *propraetores*. In the later times of the republic, the consuls also, after the expiration of their year of office, received the government of a province with the title of *proconsules*: such provinces were called *consulares*. The provinces were generally distributed by lot, but the distribution was sometimes arranged by agreement among the persons entitled to them. By a *Sempronia Lex* the proconsular provinces were annually determined before the election of the consuls, the object of which was to prevent all disputes. A *senatus-consultum* of the year 55 B. C., provided that no consul or praetor should have a province till after the expiration of five years from the time of his consulship or praetorship. A province was generally held for a year, but the time was often prolonged. When a new governor arrived in his province his predecessor was required to leave it within thirty days.

The governor of a province had originally to account at Rome (*ad urbem*) for his administration, from his own books and those of his quaestors; but after the passing of a *Lex Julia*, B. C. 61, he was bound to deposit two copies of his accounts (*rationes*) in the two chief cities of his province, and to forward one (*totidem verbis*) to the aerarium. If the governor misconducted himself in the administration of the province, the provincials applied to the Roman senate, and to the powerful Romans who were their *patroni*. The offences of *repetundae* and *peculatus* were the usual grounds of complaint by the provincials; and if a governor had betrayed the interests of the state, he was also liable to the penalties attached to *majestas*. Quaestiones were established for inquiries into these offences; yet it was not always an easy matter to bring a

guilty governor to the punishment that he deserved.

With the establishment of the imperial power under Augustus, a considerable change was made in the administration of the provinces. Augustus took the charge of those provinces where a large military force was required; the rest were left to the care of the senate and the Roman people.* Accordingly we find in the older jurists the division of provinciae into those which were *propriae populi Romani*, and those which were *propriae Caesaris*; and this division, with some modifications, continued to the third century. The senatorian provinces were distributed among consulares and those who had filled the office of praetor, two provinces being given to the consulares and the rest to the praetorii: these governors were called *proconsules*, or *praesides*, which latter is the usual term employed by the old jurists for a provincial governor. The praesides had the jurisdiction of the praetor urbanus and the praetor peregrinus; and their quaestors had the same jurisdiction that the curule aediles had at Rome. The imperial provinces were governed by *legati Caesaris*, with praetorian power, the proconsular power being in the Caesar himself, and the legati being his deputies and representatives. The legati were selected from those who had been consuls or praetors, or from the senators. They held their office and their power at the pleasure of the emperor; and he delegated to them both military command and jurisdiction, just as a proconsul in the republican period delegated these powers to his legati. These legati had also legati under them. No quaestors were sent to the provinces of the Caesar. In place of the quaestors, there were *procuratores Caesaris*, who were either equites or freedmen of the Caesar. Egypt was governed by an eques with the title of praefectus. The procuratores looked after the taxes, paid the troops, and generally were intrusted with the interests of the fiscus. Judaea, which was a part of the province of Syria, was governed by a procurator, who had the powers of a legatus. It appears that there were also procuratores Caesaris in the senatorian provinces, who collected certain dues of the fiscus, which were independent of what was due to the aerarium. The regular taxes, as in the republican period, were the poll tax and land tax. The taxation was founded on a census of persons and property, which was established by Augustus. The portoria and other dues were farmed by the publicani, as in the republican period.

PROVOCATIO. [APPELLATIO.]

PROVOCATORES. [GLADIATORES.]

PROXENUS (πρόξενος). [HOSPITIUM.]

PRYTANEUM.

PRYTANEUM (πρυτανεῖον), the public hall or town-hall in a Greek state. The *prytanea* of the ancient Greek states and cities were to the communities living around them, what private houses were to the families which occupied them. Just as the house of each family was its home, so was the *prytaneum* of every state or city the common home of its members or inhabitants. This correspondence between the *prytaneum* or home of the city, and the private home of a man's family, was at Athens very remarkable. A perpetual fire was kept continually burning on the public altar of the city in the *prytaneum*, just as in private houses a fire was kept up on the domestic altar in the inner court of the house.

Moreover, the city of Athens exercised in its *prytaneum* the duties of hospitality, both to its own citizens and to strangers. Thus foreign ambassadors were entertained here, as well as Athenian envoys, on their return home from a successful or well conducted mission. Here, too, were entertained from day to day the successive *prytanes* or presidents of the senate, together with those citizens who, whether from personal or ancestral services to the states, were honoured with what was called the *σίτης ἐν πρυτανείῳ*, or the privilege of taking their meals there at the public cost. This was granted sometimes for a limited period, sometimes for life, in which latter case the parties enjoying it were called *ἀεῖστοι*. Moreover, from the ever-burning fire of the *prytaneum*, or home of a mother state, was carried the sacred fire which was to be kept burning in the *prytanea* of her colonies; and if it happened that this was ever extinguished, the flame was rekindled from the *prytaneum* of the parent city. Lastly, a *prytaneum* was also a distinguishing mark of an independent state.

The *prytaneum* of Athens lay under the Acropolis on its northern side (near the *ἀγορά*), and was, as its name denotes, originally the place of assembly of the *prytanes*; in the earliest times it probably stood on the Acropolis. Officers called *prytanes* (πρυτανεῖς) were intrusted with the chief magistracy in several states of Greece, as Corcyra, Corinth, Miletus. At Athens they were in early times probably a magistracy of the second rank in the state (next to the archon), acting as judges in various cases (perhaps in conjunction with him), and sitting in the *prytaneum*. That this was the case is rendered probable by the fact, that even in after times the fees paid into court by plaintiff and defendant, before they could proceed to trial, and received by the dicasts, were called *prytanea*.

PRYTANES. [PRYTANEUM; BOULE.]

PSEPHISMA. [BOULE; NOMOTHETES.]

PSEPIHUS (*ψῆφος*), a ball of stone, used by the Athenian dicasts in giving their verdict. [CADISCUS.] Hence *ψηφίζεσθαι* and its various derivatives are used so often to signify *voting, determining, &c.*

PSILI (*ψιλοί*). [ARMA.]

PUBES, PUBERTAS. [IMPUBES; INFANS.]

PUBLICANI, farmers of the public revenues of the Roman state (*vectigalia*). Their name is formed from *publicum*, which signifies all that belongs to the state, and is sometimes used by Roman writers as synonymous with *vectigal*. The revenues which Rome derived from conquered countries, consisting chiefly of tolls, tithes, harbour duties, the scriptura, or the tax which was paid for the use of the public pasture lands, and the duties paid for the use of mines and salt-works (*salinae*), were let out, or, as the Romans expressed it, were sold by the censors in Rome itself to the highest bidder. This sale generally took place in the month of Quinctilis, and was made for a lustrum. The terms on which the revenues were let, were fixed by the censors in the so-called *leges censoriae*. The people or the senate, however, sometimes modified the terms fixed by the censors, in order to raise the credit of the publicani; and in some cases even the tribunes of the people of the people interfered in this branch of the administration. The tithes raised in the province of Sicily alone, with the exception of those of wine, oil, and garden produce, were not sold at Rome, but in the districts of Sicily itself, according to a practice established by Hiero. The persons who undertook the farming of the public revenue of course belonged to the wealthiest Romans, and during the latter period of the republic they belonged almost exclusively to the equestrian order. Their wealth and consequent influence may be seen from the fact, that as early as the second Punic war, after the battle of Cannae, when the aerarium was entirely exhausted, the publicani advanced large sums of money to the state, on condition of repayment after the end of the war. The words *equites* and *publicani* are sometimes used as synonymous.

The publicani had to give security to the state for the sum at which they bought one or more branches of the revenue in a province; but as for this reason the property of even the wealthiest individual must have been inadequate, a number of *equites* generally united together, and formed a company (*socii, societas, or corpus*), which was recognized by the state, and by which they were

enabled to carry on their undertakings upon a large scale. Such companies appear as early as the second Punic war. The shares which each partner of such a company took in the business were called *partes*, and if they were small, *particulae*. The responsible person in each company, and the one who contracted with the state, was called *manceps* [MANCEPS]; but there was also a *magister* to manage the business of each society, who resided at Rome, and kept an extensive correspondence with the agents in the provinces. He seems to have held his office only for one year; his representative in the provinces was called *sub magistro*, who had to travel about, and superintend the actual business of collecting the revenues.

Nobody but a Roman citizen was allowed to become a member of a company of publicani; freedmen and slaves were excluded. No Roman magistrate, however, or governor of a province, was allowed to take any share whatever in a company of publicani, a regulation which was chiefly intended as a protection against the oppression of the provincials.

The collection of the taxes in the provinces was performed by an inferior class of men, who were said *operas publicanis dare, or esse in operis societatis*. They were engaged by the publicani, and consisted of freemen as well as slaves, Romans as well as provincials.

The separate branches of the public revenue in the provinces (*decumae, portoria, scriptura*, and the revenues from the mines and salt-works) were mostly leased to separate companies of publicani; whence they were distinguished by names derived from that particular branch which they had taken in farm; e. g. *decumani, pecuarii or scripturarii, salinarii* or *mancipes salinarum*, &c. [DECUMAE; PORTORIUM; SALINAE; SCRIPTURA.] The *portitores* were not publicani properly so called, but only their servants engaged in examining the goods imported or exported, and levying the custom-duties upon them. They belonged to the same class as the publicans of the New Testament.

PUBLICUM. [PUBLICANI.]

PUGILATUS (*πύξ, πυγμή, πυγμαχία, πυγμοσύνη*), boxing, was one of the earliest athletic games among the Greeks, and is frequently mentioned in Homer.

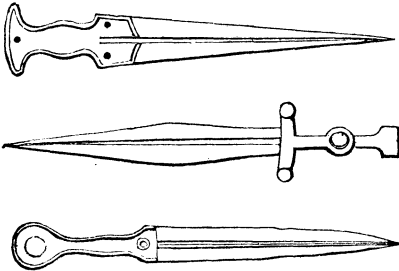
In the earliest times boxers (*pugiles, πύκται*) fought naked, with the exception of a girdle (*ζώνη*) round their loins; but this was not used when boxing was introduced at Olympia, as the contests in wrestling and racing had been carried on there by persons entirely naked ever since Ol. 15. Respecting the leath-

ern thongs, with which pugilists surrounded their fists, see *Cestus*, where its various forms are illustrated by woodcuts.

The Ionians, especially those of Samos, were at all times more distinguished pugilists than the Dorians, and at Sparta boxing is said to have been forbidden by the laws of Lycurgus. But the ancients generally considered boxing as a useful training for military purposes, and a part of education no less important than any other gymnastic exercise.

PUGILLARĒS. [TABULAE.]

PUGIO (μάχαιρα), a dagger; a two-edged knife, commonly of bronze, with the handle in many cases variously ornamented or enriched.



Pugiones, Daggers.

PULLARIUS. [AUSPICUM.]

PULPITUM. [THEATRUM.]

PULVINAR, a couch provided with cushions or pillows (*pulvini*), on which the Romans placed the statues of the gods at the *Lectisternia*. [EPULONES; LECTISTERNIUM.] There was also a *pulvinar*, on which the images of the gods were laid, in the Circus.

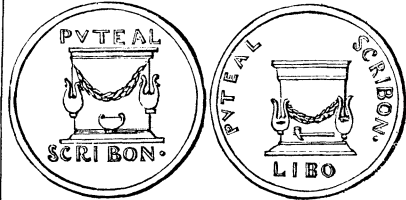
PUPILLA, **PUPILLUS**, the name given to every *impubes* not in the power of their father, but subject to a guardian. [IMPUBES; TUTELA.]

PUPPIS. [NAVIS, p. 222.]

PURIFICATION. [Lustratio.]

PUTEAL, properly means the enclosure surrounding the opening of a well, to protect persons from falling into it. It was either round or square, and seems usually to have been of the height of three or four feet from the ground. It was the practice in some cases to surround a sacred place with an enclosure open at the top, and such enclosures, from the great similarity they bore to *putealia*, were called by this name. There were two such places in the Roman forum; one of these was called *Puteal Libonis* or *Scribonianum*, because a chapel (*sacellum*) in that place had been

struck by lightning, and Scribonius Libo expiated it by proper ceremonies, and erected a puteal around it, open at the top, to preserve the memory of the place. The form of this puteal is preserved on several coins of the Scribonian gens. This puteal seems to have been near the atrium of Vesta, and was a common place of meeting for usurers. The other puteal was in the comitium, on the left side of the senate-house, and in it were deposited the whetstone and razor of Attus Navius.



Puteal.

PUTICULI. [FUNUS, p. 163.]

PYANĒPSIA (πυανέψια), a festival celebrated at Athens every year on the seventh of Pyanepsion, in honour of Apollo, said to have been instituted by Theseus after his return from Crete. The festival, as well as the month in which it took place, are said to have derived their names from *πύαρος*, another form for *κῆραρος*, i. e. pulse or beans, which were cooked at this season and carried about.

PYLAGORAE. [AMPHICTYONES.]

PYRA. [FUNUS, pp. 159, 162.]

PYRRHICA. [SALTATIO.]

PYTHIA (πύθια), one of the four great national festivals of the Greeks. It was celebrated in the neighbourhood of Delphi, anciently called Pytho, in honour of Apollo, Diana, and Latona. The place of this solemnity was the Crissaean plain, which for this purpose contained a hippodromus or race-course, a stadium of 1000 feet in length, and a theatre, in which the musical contests took place.

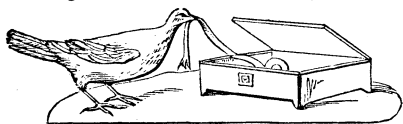
The Pythian games were, according to most legends, instituted by Apollo himself. They were originally perhaps nothing more than a religious panegyris, occasioned by the oracle of Delphi, and the sacred games are said to have been at first only a musical contest, which consisted in singing a hymn to the honour of the Pythian god, with the accompaniment of the cithara. They must, on account of the celebrity of the Delphic oracle, have become a national festival for all the Greeks at a very early period, and gradually all the various contests were introduced which occur in the Olympic games. [OLYMPIA.]

Down to Ol. 48, the Delphians had been the agonothetae at the Pythian games; but in the third year of this Olympiad, after the Crissaeian war, the Amphictyons took the management under their care, and appointed certain persons, called *Epimeletae* (ἐπιμεληταί), to conduct them. Some of the ancients date the institution of the Pythian games from this time.

Previous to Ol. 48, the Pythian games had been an *ἐνναετηρίς*, that is, they had been celebrated at the end of every eighth year; but in Ol. 48. 3, they became, like the Olympia, a *πενταετηρίς*, i. e. they were held at the end of every fourth year; and a Pythiad, therefore, from the time that it was used as an aera, comprehended a space of four years, commencing with the third year of every Olympiad. They were in all probability held in the spring, and took place in the month of Bucatius, which corresponded to the Attic Munychion.

PYTHII (πύθιοι), four persons appointed by the Spartan kings, two by each, as messengers to the temple of Delphi. Their office was highly honourable and important; they were always the messmates of the Spartan kings.

PYXIS, *dim.* PYXIDULA (πύξις, *dim.* πύξιδιον), a casket, a jewel-box. Quintilian produces this term as an example of catachresis, because it properly denoted that which was made of box (πύθος), but was applied to things of similar form and use made of any other material. In fact, the caskets in which the ladies of ancient times kept their jewels and other ornaments, were made of gold, silver, ivory, mother of pearl, tortoise shell, &c. They were also much enriched with sculpture. A silver coffer, two feet long, one and a half wide, and one deep, most elaborately adorned with figures in bas-relief, is described by Böttiger. The annexed woodcut, from the



Pyxis, Jewel-box.

antique, represents a plain jewel-box, out of which a dove is extracting a riband or fillet.

Q.

QUADRAGESIMA, the fortieth part of the imported goods, was the ordinary rate of the portorium under the empire. [PORTORIUM.]

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QUADRANS. [As.]

QUADRIGA. [CURRUS.]

QUADRIGATUS. [DENARIUS.]

QUADRUPLATORES, public informers or accusers, were so called, either because they received a fourth part of the criminals' property, or because those who were convicted were condemned to pay fourfold (*quadrupli damnavi*), as in cases of violation of the laws respecting gambling, usury, &c.

QAESTIONES, QAESTIONES PERPETUAE. [JUDEX; PRAETOR.]

QUAESTOR (ραῦλας), a name given to two distinct classes of Roman officers. It is derived from *quaero*, and Varro gives a definition which embraces the principal functions of both classes of officers: *Quaestores a quaerendo, qui conquirent publicas pecunias et maleficia*. The one class, therefore, had to do with the collecting and keeping of the public revenues, and the others were a kind of public accusers. The former bore the name of *Quaestores Classici*, the latter of *Quaestores Parricidii*.

The *quaestores parricidii* were public accusers, two in number, who conducted the accusation of persons guilty of murder or any other capital offence, and carried the sentence into execution. In the early period of the republic the *quaestores parricidii* appear to have become a standing office, which, like others, was held only for one year. They were appointed by the *populus* or the *curies* on the presentation of the consuls. When these *quaestores* discovered that a capital offence had been committed, they had to bring the charge before the *comitia* for trial. When the sentence had been pronounced by the people, the *quaestores parricidii* executed it; thus they threw *Spurius Cassius* from the Tarpeian rock. They were mentioned in the laws of the Twelve Tables, and after the time of the decemvirate they still continued to be appointed, though probably no longer by the *curies*, but either in the *comitia centuriata* or *tributa*, which they therefore must have had the right of assembling in cases of emergency. From the year B. C. 366 they are no longer mentioned in Roman history, as their functions were gradually transferred to the *triumviri capitales*. [TRIUMVIRI CAPIALES.]

The *Quaestores Classici*, usually called *Quaestores* simply, were officers entrusted with the care of the public money. They were elected by the centuries, and the office is said to have been first instituted by *Valerius Poplicola*. They were at first only two in number, and of course taken only from the patricians. As the senate had the supreme administration of the finances, the *quaestores* were in some measure only its agents or paymasters, for

they could not dispose of any part of the public money without being directed by the senate. Their duties consequently consisted in making the necessary payments from the aerarium, and receiving the public revenues. Of both they had to keep correct accounts in their *tabulae publicae*. Demands which any one might have on the aerarium, and outstanding debts, were likewise registered by them. Fines to be paid to the public treasury were registered and exacted by them. Another branch of their duties, which, however, was likewise connected with the treasury, was to provide the proper accommodation for foreign ambassadors, and such persons as were connected with the republic by ties of public hospitality.

In B. c. 421 the number of quaestors was doubled, and the tribunes tried to effect, by an amendment of the law, that a part (probably two) of the quaestores should be plebeians. This attempt was indeed frustrated, but the interrex L. Papirius effected a compromise, that the election should not be restricted to either order. After this law was carried, eleven years passed without any plebeian being elected to the office: at last, in B. c. 409, three of the four quaestors were plebeians. A person who had held the office of quaestor had undoubtedly, as in later times, the right to take his seat in the senate, unless he was excluded as unworthy by the next censors. And this was probably the reason why the patricians so resolutely opposed the admission of plebeians to this office. Henceforth the consuls, whenever they took the field against an enemy, were accompanied by one quaestor each, who at first had only to superintend the sale of the booty, the produce of which was either divided among the legion, or was transferred to the aerarium. Subsequently, however, we find that these quaestors also kept the funds of the army, which they had received from the treasury at Rome, and gave the soldiers their pay; they were in fact the paymasters of the army. The two other quaestors, who remained at Rome, continued to discharge the same duties as before, and were distinguished from those who accompanied the consuls by the epithet *urbani*. In B. c. 265, after the Romans had made themselves masters of Italy, and when, in consequence, the administration of the treasury and the raising of the revenues became more laborious and important, the number of quaestors was again doubled to eight; and it is probable that henceforth their number continued to be increased in proportion as the empire became extended. One of the eight quaestors was appointed by lot to the *Quaes-*

tura Ostiensis, a most laborious and important post, as he had to provide Rome with corn. Besides the quaestor ostiensis, who resided at Ostia, three other quaestors were distributed in Italy, to raise those parts of the revenue which were not farmed by the publicani, and to control the latter. One of them resided at Cales, and the two others probably in towns on the Upper Sea. The two remaining quaestors were sent to Sicily.

Sulla, in his dictatorship, raised the number of quaestors to twenty, that he might have a large number of candidates for the senate, and J. Caesar even to forty. In the year B. c. 49 no quaestors were elected, and Caesar transferred the keeping of the aerarium to the aediles. From this time forward the treasury was sometimes entrusted to the praetors, sometimes to the praetorii, and sometimes again to quaestors. [AERARIUM.] Quaestors, however, both in the city and in the provinces, occur down to the latest period of the empire.

The proconsul or praetor, who had the administration of a province, was attended by a quaestor. This quaestor had undoubtedly to perform the same functions as those who accompanied the armies into the field; they were in fact the same officers, with the exception that the former were stationary in their province during the time of their office, and had consequently rights and duties which those who accompanied the armies could not have. In the provinces the quaestors had the same jurisdiction as the curule aediles at Rome. The relation existing between a praetor or proconsul of a province and his quaestor was, according to ancient custom, regarded as resembling that between a father and his son. When a quaestor died in his province, the praetors had the right of appointing a *proquaestor* in his stead, and when the praetor was absent, the quaestor supplied his place, and was then attended by lictors. In what manner the provinces were assigned to the quaestors after their election at Rome, is not mentioned, though it was probably by lot, as in the case of the quaestor ostiensis.

QUAESTORIUM. [CASTRA.]

QUALUS. [CALATHUS.]

QUARTARIUS. [SEXTARIUS.]

QUASILLARIAE. [CALATHUS.]

QUASILLUM. [CALATHUS.]

QUATUORVIRI JURI DICUNDO. [COLONIA, p. 92.]

QUATUORVIRI VIARUM CURANDARUM, four officers who had the superintendence of the roads (*viae*), were first appointed after the war with Pyrrhus, when so many public roads were made by the Romans.

QUINARIUS. [DENARIUS.]

QUINCUNX. [AS.]

QUINDECIMVIRI. [DECEMVIRI.]

QUINQUATRUS or QUINQUARTIA, a festival sacred to Minerva, which was celebrated on the 19th of March. Ovid says that it was celebrated for five days, that on the first day no blood was shed, but that on the last four there were contests of gladiators. It would appear, however, that the first day only was the festival properly so called, and that the last four were merely an addition made perhaps in the time of Caesar to gratify the people, who became so passionately fond of gladiatorial combats.

On the fifth day of the festival, according to Ovid, the trumpets used in sacred rites were purified; but this seems to have been originally a separate festival called *Tubilustrium*, which was celebrated, as we know from the ancient calendars, on the 23d of March, and would, of course, when the Quinquatrus was extended to five days, fall on the last day of that festival.

There was also another festival of this name, called *Quinquatrus Minusculæ* or *Quinquatrus Minores*, celebrated on the Ides of June, on which the tibicines went through the city in procession to the temple of Minerva.

QUINQUENNALIA, were games instituted by Nero, A. D. 60, in imitation of the Greek festivals, and celebrated like the Greek *πενταετηρίδες* at the end of every four years: they consisted of musical, gymnastic, and equestrian contests.

QUINQUENNALIS. [COLONIA, p. 92.]

QUINQUEREMIS. [NAVIS.]

QUINQUERTIUM. [PENTATHLON.]

QUINQUEVIRI, or five commissioners, were frequently appointed under the republic as extraordinary magistrates to carry any measure into effect.

QUINTANA. [CASTRÀ.]

QUIRINALIA, a festival sacred to Quirinus, which was celebrated on the 17th of February, on which day Romulus (Quirinus) was said to have been carried up to heaven. This festival was also called *Stultorum feriae*, respecting the meaning of which see FARNALIA.

QUIRITIUM JUS. [JUS.]

QUIVER. [PHARETRA.]

R.

RACES. [CIRCUS; OLYMPIA.]

RAMNES. [PATRICII.]

RECUPERATORES. [JUDEX.]

REDEMPTOR, the general name for a contractor, who undertook the building and repairing of public works, private houses, &c., and in fact of any kind of work. The farmers of the public taxes were also called *Redemptores*.

REDIMICULUM (*καθετήρ*), a fillet attached to the *calantica*, *diadema*, *mitra*, or other head-dress at the occiput, and passed over the shoulders, so as to hang on each side over the breast. *Redimicula* were properly female ornaments.

REGIFUGIUM or FUGALIA, the king's flight, a festival which was held by the Romans every year on the 24th of February, and, according to some ancient writers, in commemoration of the flight of king Tarquinius Superbus from Rome. The day is marked in the *Fasti* as *nefastus*. In some ancient calendars the 24th of May is likewise called *Regifugium*. It is doubtful whether either of these days had anything to do with the flight of king Tarquinius: they may have derived their name from the symbolical flight of the *Rex Sacrorum* from the *comitium*; for this king-priest was generally not allowed to appear in the *comitium*, which was destined for the transaction of political matters in which he could not take part. But on certain days in the year, and certainly on the two days mentioned above, he had to go to the *comitium* for the purpose of offering certain sacrifices, and immediately after he had performed his functions there, he hastily fled from it; and this symbolical flight was called *Regifugium*.

RELEGATIO. [EXSILIUM.]

REMANCIPIATIO. [EMANCIPIATIO.]

REMURIA. [LEMURIA.]

REMUS. [NAVIS, p. 223.]

REPETUNDÆ, or PECUNIAE REPETUNDÆ, was the term used to designate such sums of money as the socii of the Roman state or individuals claimed to recover from magistratus, judices, or publici curatores, which they had improperly taken or received in the *Provinciae*, or in the *Urbs Roma*, either in the discharge of their jurisdiction, or in their capacity of judices or in respect of any other public function. Sometimes the word *Repetundæ* was used to express the illegal act for which compensation was sought, as in the phrase *repetundarum insimulari, damnari*; and *Pecuniae* meant not only money, but anything that had value. The first lex on the subject was the *Calpurnia*, which was proposed and carried by the tribune plebis L. Calpurnius Piso (B. C. 149). By this lex a praetor was appointed for trying persons charged with this crime. It seems that the penalties of the *Lex*

Calpurnia were merely pecuniary, and at least did not comprise *exsilium*.

Various *leges* de *repetundis* were passed after the Lex Calpurnia, and the penalties were continually made heavier. The Lex Junia was passed probably about B. C. 126, on the proposal of M. Junius Perunus, *tribunus plebis*.

The Lex Servilia Glaucia was proposed and carried by C. Servilius Glaucia, *praetor*, in the sixth consulship of Marius, B. C. 100. This lex applied to any *magistratus* who had improperly taken or received money from any private person; but a *magistratus* could not be accused during the term of office. The lex enacted that the *praetor peregrinus* should annually appoint 450 *judices* for the trial of this offence: the *judices* were not to be senators. The penalties of the lex were pecuniary and *exsilium*; the law allowed a *comperendinatio*. [JURÆX, p. 181.] Before the Lex Servilia, the pecuniary penalty was simply restitution of what had been wrongfully taken; this lex seems to have raised the penalty to double the amount of what had been wrongfully taken; and subsequently it was made quadruple. *Exsilium* was only the punishment in case a man did not abide his trial, but withdrew from Rome. The lex gave the *civitas* to any person on whose complaint a person was convicted of *repetundæ*.

The Lex Acilia, which seems to be of uncertain date, was proposed and carried by M. Acilius Glabrio, a tribune of the plebs, and enacted that there should be neither *ampliatio* nor *comperendinatio*.

The Lex Cornelia was passed in the dictatorship of Sulla, and continued in force to the time of C. Julius Caesar. It extended the penalties of *repetundæ* to other illegal acts committed in the provinces, and to *judices* who received bribes, to those to whose hands the money came, and to those who did not give into the *aerarium* their *proconsular* accounts (*proconsulares rationes*). The *praetor* who presided over this *quaestio* chose the *judges* by lot from the senators, whence it appears that the Servilia Lex was repealed by this lex, at least so far as related to the constitution of the court. This lex also allowed *ampliatio* and *comperendinatio*. The penalties were pecuniary (*litis aestimatio*) and the *aquæ et ignis interdictio*. Under this lex were tried L. Dolabella, Cn. Piso, C. Verres, C. Macer, M. Fonteius, and L. Flaccus, the two last of whom were defended by Cicero. In the Verrine Orations Cicero complains of the *comperendinatio* or double hearing of the cause, which the Lex Cornelia allowed, and refers to the practice under the Lex Acilia, accord-

ing to which the case for the prosecution, the defence, and the evidence, were only heard once, and so the matter was decided.

The last lex de *repetundis* was the Lex Julia, passed in the first consulship of C. Julius Caesar, B. C. 59. This lex repealed the penalty of *exsilium*, but in addition to the *litis aestimatio*, it enacted that persons convicted under this lex should lose their rank, and be disqualified from being witnesses, *judices*, or senators. The lex had been passed when Cicero made his oration against Piso, B. C. 55. A. Gabinius was convicted under this lex.

Under the empire the offence was punishable with exile.

REPOTIA. [MATRIMONIUM, p. 214.]

REPU'DIUM. [DIVORTIUM.]

RETE and RETIS, *dim.* RETICULUM, (*δίκτυον*) a net. In hunting it was usual to extend nets in a curved line of considerable length, so as in part to surround a space into which the beasts of chase were driven through the opening left on one side. This range of nets was flanked by cords, to which feathers dyed scarlet, and of other bright colours, were tied, so as to flare and flutter in the wind. The hunters then sallied forth with their dogs, dislodged the animals from their coverts, and by shouts and barking drove them first within the *formido*, as the apparatus of string and feathers was called, and then, as they were scared with this appearance, within the circuit of the nets. The accompanying woodcuts are taken from two *bas-reliefs* in the collection of ancient marbles at Ince-Blundell in Lancashire. In the uppermost figure three servants with staves carry on their shoulders a large net which is intended to be set up as already described.



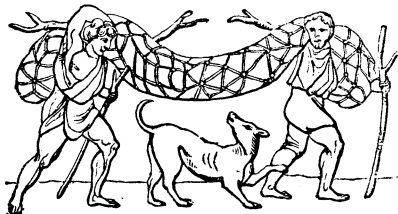
Retis, Net.

In this next figure the net is set up: at each end of it stands a watchman holding a staff. The net is supported by three stakes. To dispose the nets in this manner was called *retia ponere* or *retia tendere*.



Net supported by stakes.

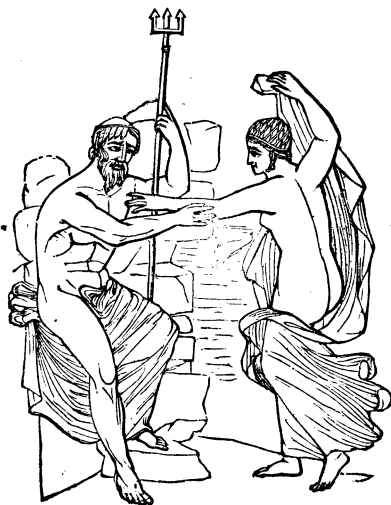
In the following woodcut, two men are carrying the net home after the chase, and hold in their hands two of the forked stakes for supporting it.



Carrying the net home.

RETIA'RII. [GLADIATORES.]

RETICULUM (κεκρυφαλος), a caul or coif of network for covering the hair, worn by women during the day as well as the night. It appears to have been sometimes made of gold threads, and likewise of silk and other materials. This kind of covering for the head was very ancient, for it is mentioned by Homer; and it also appears to have been very commonly used in later times. It is seen on the head of the nymph in the following cut,



Reticulum.

taken from a painting found at Pompeii, which represents a nymph approaching Neptune.

REUS. [ACTOR.]

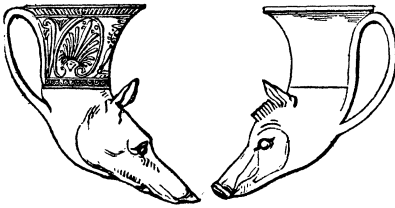
REX SACRIFICULUS, REX SACRIFICUS, or REX SACRORUM. When the civil and military powers of the king were transferred to two praetors or consuls, upon the establishment of the republican government at Rome, these magistrates were not invested with that part of the royal dignity by virtue of which the king had been the high priest of his nation and had conducted several of the *sacra publica*, but this priestly part of his office was transferred to a priest called Rex Sacrificulus or Rex Sacrorum. The first rex sacrorum was designated, at the command of the consuls, by the college of pontiffs, and inaugurated by the augurs. He was always elected and inaugurated in the *comitia curiata* under the presidency of the pontiffs, and as long as a rex sacrificulus was appointed at Rome, he was always a patrician, for as he had no influence upon the management of political affairs, the plebeians never coveted this dignity.

Considering that this priest was the religious representative of the kings, he ranked indeed higher than all other priests, and even higher than the pontifex maximus, but in power and influence he was far inferior to him. He held his office for life, was not allowed to hold any civil or military dignity, and was at the same time exempted from all military and civil duties. His principal functions were: 1. To perform those *sacra publica* which had before been performed by the kings; and his wife, who bore the title of *regina sacrorum*, had also, like the queens of former days, to perform certain priestly functions. These *sacra publica* he or his wife had to perform on all the Calends, Ides, and the Nundines; he to Jupiter, and she to Juno, in the *regia*. 2. On the days called *regifugium* he had to offer a sacrifice in the *comitium*. [REGIFUGIUM.] 3. When extraordinary portents seemed to announce some general calamity, it was his duty to try to propitiate the anger of the gods. 4. On the nundines, when the people assembled in the city, the rex sacrorum announced (*edicebat*) to them the succession of the festivals for the month. This part of his functions, however, must have ceased after the time of Cn. Flavius. He lived in a *domus publica* on the *via sacra*, near the *regia* and the house of the vestal virgins.

RHEDA or REDA, a travelling carriage with four wheels. Like the *Covinus* and the *Essedum* it was of Gallic origin, and may perhaps contain the same root as the German

reiten and our *ride*. It was the common carriage used by the Romans for travelling, and was frequently made large enough not only to contain many persons, but also baggage and utensils of various kinds. The word *Epirhedium*, which was formed by the Romans from the Greek preposition *ἐπί* and the Gallic *rheda*, is explained by the Scholiast on Juvenal, as: "Ornamentum rhedarum aut plaustrum."

RHYTON (*ῥυτόν*), a drinking-horn, (*κέρας*). Its original form was probably the horn of the ox, but one end of it was afterwards ornamented with the heads of various animals and birds.



Rhyta, Drinking-Horns.

The *Rhyton* had a small opening at the bottom, which the person who drank put into his mouth, and allowed the wine to run in: hence it derived its name.

RICA. [FLAMEN.]

RICINIUM, an article of female dress, appears to have been a kind of mantle, with a sort of cowl attached to it, in order to cover the head. The *navortium*, *navorte*, or *mavors* of later times was thought to be only another name for what had formerly been called *ricinium*.

RINGS. [ANNULUS.]

ROADS. [VIAE.]

ROBIGA'LIA, a public festival in honour of the god Robigus, to preserve the fields from mildew, is said to have been instituted by Numa, and was celebrated April 25th. The sacrifices offered on this occasion consisted of the entrails of a dog and a sheep, accompanied with frankincense and wine: a prayer was presented by a flamen in the grove of the ancient deity, whom Ovid and Columella make a goddess. A god Robigus or a goddess Robigo is a mere invention from the name of this festival, for the Romans paid no divine honours to evil deities.

ROGATIO. [LEX, p. 189.]

ROGATO'RES. [COMITIA, p. 96.]

ROGUS. [FUNUS, p. 162.]

ROMPHEA. [HASTA.]

RORA'RII, a class of light-armed Roman soldiers, appear to have been originally slingers, and were taken from the fifth class of the Servian census. In later times the name was applied to the light-armed hastati, and since this latter name supplanted that of *rorarii*, who, according to the later constitution of the army, no longer existed in it in their original capacity, the *rorarii* are not mentioned in later times.

ROSTRA, or The Beaks, was the name applied to the stage (*suggestus*) in the Forum, from which the orators addressed the people. This stage was originally called *templum*, because it was consecrated by the augurs, but obtained its name of *Rostra* at the conclusion of the great Latin war, when it was adorned with the beaks (*rostra*) of the ships of the Antiates. The Greeks also mutilated galleys in the same way for the purpose of trophies: this was called by them *ἀκρωτηριάζειν*. [ACROTHERIUM.]

The rostra lay between the Comitium or place of meeting for the curies, and the Forum or place of meeting for the tribes, so that the speaker might turn either to the one or the other; but down to the time of C. Gracchus, even the tribunes in speaking used to front the Comitium; he first turned his back to it and spoke with his face towards the forum. The rostra was a circular building, raised on arches, with a stand or platform on the top, bordered by a parapet; the access to it being by two flights of steps, one on each side. It fronted towards the comitium, and the rostra were affixed to the front of it, just under the arches. Its form has been in all the main points preserved in the ambones, or circular pulpits of the most ancient churches, which also had two flights of steps leading up to them, one on the east side, by which the preacher ascended, and another on the west side, for his descent. The speaker was thus enabled to walk to and fro, while addressing his audience.

The suggestus or rostra was transferred by Julius Caesar to a corner of the Forum, but the spot where the ancient rostra had stood, still continued to be called *Rostra Vetera*, while the other was called *Rostra Nova* or *Rostra Julia*. Both the rostra contained statues of illustrious men. The following cut contains representations of the rostra from Roman coins, but they give little idea of their form. The one on the left hand is from a denarius of the *Lollia gens*, and is supposed to represent the old rostra; and the one on the right is from a denarius of the *Sulpicia gens*, and supposed to represent the new rostra.



Rostra.

ROSTRUM. [NAVIS, p. 222.]

ROTA [CURRUS.]

ROWERS. [NAVIS, p. 223.]

RUDDER. [GUBERNACULUM.]

RUDIA'RIL. [GLADIATORES.]

RUDIS. [GLADIATORES.]

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SACELLUM is a diminutive of *sacer*, and signifies a small place consecrated to a god, containing an altar, and sometimes also a statue of the god to whom it was dedicated, but it was without a roof. It was therefore a sacred inclosure surrounded by a fence or wall, and thus answered to the Greek *περίβολος*.

SACERDOS, SACERDOTIUM. As all the different kinds of priests are treated of separately in this work, it is only necessary here to make some general remarks.

In comparison with the civil magistrates, all priests at Rome were regarded as *homines privati*: though all of them as priests, were *sacerdotes publici*, in as far as their office (*sacerdotium*) was connected with any worship recognized by the state. The appellation of *sacerdos publicus* was however given principally to the chief pontiff and the flamen dialis, who were at the same time the only priests who were members of the senate by virtue of their office. All priestly offices or sacerdotia were held for life, without responsibility to any civil magistrate. A priest was generally allowed to hold any other civil or military office besides his priestly dignity; some priests however formed an exception, for the *duumviri*, the *rex sacrorum*, and the flamen dialis were not allowed to hold any state office, and were also exempt from service in the armies. Their priestly character was, generally speaking, inseparable from their person, as long as they lived: hence the augurs and *fratres arvales* retained their character even when sent into exile, or when they were taken prisoners.

It also occurs that one and the same person held two or three priestly offices at a time. Thus we find the three dignities of *pontifex maximus*, *augur*, and *decemvir sacrorum* united in one individual. Bodily defects incapacitated a person at Rome, as among all ancient nations, from holding any priestly office.

All priests were originally patricians, but from the year B. C. 367 the plebeians also began to take part in the sacerdotia [PLEBES]; and those priestly offices which down to the latest times remained in the hands of the patricians alone, such as that of the *rex sacrorum*, the *flamines*, *salii* and others, had no influence upon the affairs of the state.

As regards the appointment of priests, the ancients unanimously state, that at first they were appointed by the kings, but after the sacerdotia were once instituted, each college of priests—for nearly all priests constituted certain corporations called *collegia*—had the right of filling up, by *cooptatio*, the vacancies which occurred. [PONTIFEX.] Other priests, on the contrary, such as the vestal virgins, and the *flamines*, were appointed (*capiebantur*) by the *pontifex maximus*, a rule which appears to have been observed down to the latest times; others again, such as the *duumviri sacrorum*, were elected by the people, or by the *curiae*, as the *curiones*. But in whatever manner they were appointed, all priests after their appointment required to be inaugurated by the pontiffs and the augurs, or by the latter alone. Those priests who formed colleges had originally, as we have already observed, the right of *cooptatio*; but in the course of time they were deprived of this right, or at least the *cooptatio* was reduced to a mere form, by several *leges*, called *leges de sacerdotiis*, such as the *Lex Domitia*, *Cornelia*, and *Julia*; their nature is described in the article PONTIFEX, and what is there said in regard to the appointment of pontiffs applies equally to all the other colleges.

All priests had some external distinction, as the apex, *tutulus*, or *galerus*, the *toga praetexta*, as well as honorary seats in theatres, circuses, and amphitheatres. Most of the priestly colleges possessed landed property, and some priests had also a regular annual salary (*stipendium*), which was paid to them from the public treasury. This is expressly stated in regard to the vestal virgins, the augurs, and the *curiones*, and may therefore be supposed to have been the case with other priests also. The *pontifex maximus*, the *rex sacrorum*, and the vestal virgins had moreover a *domus publica* as their place of residence.

SACRA. This word, in its widest sense, expresses what we call divine worship. In ancient times, the state, as well as all its subdivisions, had their own peculiar forms of worship, whence at Rome, we find *sacra* of the whole Roman people, of the *curies*, *gentes*, families, and even of private individuals. All these *sacra*, however, were divided into two great classes, the public and private *sacra* (*sacra publica et privata*), that is, they were performed either on behalf of the whole nation, and at the expense of the state, or on behalf of individuals, families, or *gentes*, which had also to defray their expenses. This division is ascribed to Numa. All *sacra publica* as well as *privata*, were superintended and regulated by the pontiffs.

SACRAMENTUM, the military oath which was administered in the following manner: each *tribunus militum* assembled his legion, and picked out one of the men, to whom he put the oath, that he would obey the commands of his generals, and execute them punctually. The other men then came forward, one after another, and repeated the same oath, saying that they would do like the first.

SACRARIUM, was any place in which sacred things were deposited and kept, whether this place was a part of a temple or of a private house.

SACRIFICES. [**SACRIFICIUM.**]

SACRIFICIUM (*ιερείον*), a sacrifice. Sacrifices or offerings formed the chief part of the worship of the ancients. They were partly signs of gratitude, partly a means of propitiating the gods, and partly also intended to induce the deity to bestow some favour upon the sacrificer, or upon those on whose behalf the sacrifice was offered. Sacrifices in a wider sense would also embrace the *DONARIA*; in a narrower sense *sacrificia* were things offered to the gods, which merely afforded momentary gratification, and which were burnt upon their altars, or were believed to be consumed by the gods. All sacrifices may be divided into bloody sacrifices and unbloody sacrifices.

Bloody sacrifices. In the early times of Greece we find mention of human sacrifices, but with a few exceptions these had ceased in the historical ages. Owing to the influence of civilization, in many cases animals were substituted for human beings; in others, a few drops of human blood were thought sufficient to propitiate the gods. The custom of sacrificing human life to the gods arose from the belief that the nobler the sacrifice and the dearer to its possessor, the more pleasing it would be to the gods. Hence the frequent instances in Grecian story of per-

sons sacrificing their own children, or of persons devoting themselves to the gods of the lower world.

That the Romans also believed human sacrifices to be pleasing to the gods, might be inferred from the story of Curtius and from the self-sacrifice of the Decii. The symbolic sacrifice of human figures made of rushes at the Lemuralia [*LEMURALIA*] also shows that in the early history of Italy human sacrifices were not uncommon. For another proof of this practice, see *VER SACRUM*.

A second class of bloody sacrifices were those of animals of various kinds, according to the nature and character of the divinity. The sacrifices of animals were the most common among the Greeks and Romans. The victim was called *ιερείον*, and in Latin *hostia* or *victima*. In the early times it appears to have been the general custom to burn the whole victim (*όλοκαυτείν*) upon the altars of the gods, and the same was in some cases also observed in later times. But as early as the time of Homer it was the almost general practice to burn only the legs (*μηροί, μηρία, μήρα*) enclosed in fat, and certain parts of the intestines, while the remaining parts of the victim were consumed by men at a festive meal. The gods delighted chiefly in the smoke arising from the burning victims, and the greater the number of victims, the more pleasing was the sacrifice. Hence it was not uncommon to offer a sacrifice of one hundred bulls (*εκατόμβη*) at once, though it must not be supposed that a hecatomb always signifies a sacrifice of a hundred bulls, for the name was used in a general way to designate any great sacrifice. Such great sacrifices were not less pleasing to men than to the gods, for in regard to the former they were in reality a donation of meat. Hence at Athens the partiality for such sacrifices rose to the highest degree. The animals which were sacrificed were mostly of the domestic kind, as bulls, cows, sheep, rams, lambs, goats, pigs, dogs, and horses; and each god had his favourite animals which he liked best as sacrifices. The head of the victim, before it was killed, was in most cases strewed with roasted barley meal (*ούλόχυρα* or *ούλοχύται*) mixed with salt (*mola salsa*). The persons who offered the sacrifice wore generally garlands round their heads, and sometimes also carried them in their hands, and before they touched anything belonging to the sacrifice they washed their hands in water. The victim itself was likewise adorned with garlands, and its horns were sometimes gilt. Before the animal was killed, a bunch of hair was cut from its forehead, and thrown into the fire as primitiae

(κατάρχεσθαι). In the heroic ages the princes, as the high priests of their people, killed the victim; in later times this was done by the priests themselves. When the sacrifice was to be offered to the Olympic gods, the head of the animal was drawn heavenward; when to the gods of the lower world, to heroes, or to the dead, it was drawn downwards. While the flesh was burning upon the altar, wine and incense were thrown upon it, and prayers and music accompanied the solemnity.

The most common animal sacrifices at Rome were the *suovetaurilia*, or *solitaurilia*, consisting of a pig, a sheep, and an ox. They were performed in all cases of a lustration, and the victims were carried around the thing to be lustrated, whether it was a city, a people, or a piece of land. [Lustratio.] The Greek *tritua* (τριτῦα), which likewise consisted of an ox, a sheep, and a pig, was the same sacrifice as the Roman *suovetaurilia*. The customs observed before and during the sacrifice of an animal were on the whole the same as those observed in Greece. But the victim was in most cases not killed by the priests who conducted the sacrifice, but by a person called *popa*, who struck the animal with a hammer before the knife was used. The better parts of the intestines (*exta*) were strewn with barley meal, wine, and incense, and were burnt upon the altar. Those parts of the animal which were burnt were called *prosecta*, *prosciae*, or *ablegmina*. When a sacrifice was offered to gods of rivers, or of the sea, these parts were not burnt, but thrown into the water. Respecting the use which the ancients made of sacrifices to learn the will of the gods, see HARUSPEX and DIVINATIO.

Unbloody Sacrifices. Among these we may first mention the libations (*libationes*, λουβαί or σπονδαί). Bloody sacrifices were usually accompanied by libations, as wine was poured upon them. The wine was usually poured out in three separate streams. Libations always accompanied a sacrifice which was offered in concluding a treaty with a foreign nation, and that here they formed a prominent part of the solemnity, is clear from the fact that the treaty itself was called σπονδαί. But libations were also made independent of any other sacrifice, as in solemn prayers, and on many other occasions of public and private life, as before drinking at meals, and the like. Libations usually consisted of unmixed wine (ἔνσπονδος, *merum*), but sometimes also of milk, honey, and other fluids, either pure or diluted with water. The libations offered to the Furies were always without wine. Incense was likewise an offering which usually

accompanied bloody sacrifices, but it was also burned as an offering for itself.

A third class of unbloody sacrifices consisted of fruit and cakes. The former were mostly offered to the gods as primitiae or tithes of the harvest, and as a sign of gratitude. They were sometimes offered in their natural state, sometimes also adorned or prepared in various ways. Cakes were peculiar to the worship of certain deities, as to that of Apollo. They were either simple cakes of flour, sometimes also of wax, or they were made in the shape of some animal, and were then offered as symbolical sacrifices in the place of real animals, either because they could not easily be procured, or were too expensive for the sacrificer.

SACRILEGIUM, the crime of stealing things consecrated to the gods, or things deposited in a consecrated place. A lex Julia appears to have placed the crime of sacrilegium on an equality with peculatus. [PECULATUS.]

SAECULUM was, according to the calculation of the Etruscans, which was adopted by the Romans, a space of time containing 110 lunar years. The return of each saeculum at Rome was announced by the pontiffs, who also made the necessary intercalations in such a manner, that at the commencement of a new saeculum the beginning of the ten months' year, of the twelve months' year, and of the solar year coincided. But in these arrangements the greatest caprice and irregularity appear to have prevailed at Rome, as may be seen from the unequal intervals at which the ludi saeculares were celebrated. [LUDI SAECULARES.] This also accounts for the various ways in which a saeculum was defined by the ancients; some believed that it contained thirty, and others that it contained a hundred years: the latter opinion appears to have been the most common in later times, so that saeculum answered to our century.

SAGITTARII. [ARCUS.]

SAGMINA, were the same as the *verbenae*, namely, herbs torn up by their roots from within the inclosure of the Capitoline, which were always carried by the Fetiales or ambassadors, when they went to a foreign people to demand restitution for wrongs committed against the Romans, or to make a treaty. [FETIALES.] They served to mark the sacred character of the ambassadors, and answered the same purpose as the Greek κηρύκεια.

SAGUM, the cloak worn by the Roman soldiers and inferior officers, in contradistinction to the paludamentum of the general and

superior officers. [PALUDAMENTUM.] It is used in opposition to the toga or garb of peace, and we accordingly find, that when there was a war in Italy, all citizens put on the sagum even in the city, with the exception of those of consular rank (*saga sumere, ad saga ire, in sagis esse*).

The sagum was open in the front, and usually fastened across the shoulders by a clasp: it resembled in form the paludamentum (see cut, p. 238). The cloak worn by the general and superior officers is sometimes called *sagum*, but the diminutive *sagulum* is more commonly used in such cases.

The cloak worn by the northern nations of Europe is also called *sagum*: see cut, p. 54, where three Sarmatians are represented with *saga*. The German *sagum* is mentioned by Tacitus.

SAILS. [NAVIS, p. 223.]

SALAMINIA (*σαλαμινία*). The Athenians from very early times kept for public purposes two sacred or state vessels, the one of which was called *Paralos* (*πύραλος*), and the other *Salaminia* (*σαλαμινία*). The latter was also called *Delia* (*δελία*) or *Theoris* (*θεωρίς*), because it was used to convey the *theori* (*θεωροί*) to Delos, on which occasion the ship was adorned with garlands by the priest of Apollo. Both these vessels were quick-sailing triremes, and were used for a variety of state-purposes: they conveyed theories, despatches, &c. from Athens, carried treasures from subject countries to Athens, fetched state-criminals from foreign parts to Athens, and the like. In battles they were frequently used as the ships in which the admirals sailed. These vessels and their crew were always kept in readiness to act, in case of any necessity arising; and the crew, although they could not for the greater part of the year be in actual service, received their regular pay of four oboli per day all the year round. The names of the two ships seem to point to a very early period of the history of Attica, when there was no navigation except between Attica and Salamis, for which the *Salaminia* was used, and around the coast of Attica, for which purpose the *Paralos* was destined. In later times the names were retained, although the ships were then principally destined to serve the purposes of religion, whence they are frequently called the sacred ships.

SALII, priests of Mars Gradius, said to have been instituted by Numa. They were twelve in number, chosen from the patricians even in the latest times, and formed an ecclesiastical corporation. They had the care of the twelve Ancilia [ANCILE], which were kept in the temple of Mars on the Palatine

hill, whence these priests were sometimes called *Salii Palatini*, to distinguish them from the other *Salii* mentioned below. The distinguishing dress of the *Salii* was an embroidered tunic bound with a brazen belt, the *trabea*, and the apex, also worn by the *Flamines*. [APEX.] Each had a sword by his side, and in his right hand a spear or staff.

The festival of Mars was celebrated by the *Salii* on the 1st of March and for several successive days; on which occasion they were accustomed to go through the city in their official dress, carrying the ancilia in their left hands or suspended from their shoulders, and at the same time singing and dancing, whence comes their name. The songs or hymns which they sang on this occasion were called *Asamenta*, *Assamenta* or *Azamenta*, and were chiefly in praise of Mamurius Veturius, generally said to be the armourer, who made eleven ancilia like the one that was sent from heaven [ANCILE], though some modern writers suppose it to be merely another name of Mars. The praises of the gods were also celebrated in the songs of the *Salii*. In later times, these songs were scarcely understood even by the priests themselves.

At the conclusion of the festival the *Salii* were accustomed to partake of a splendid entertainment in the temple of Mars, which was proverbial for its excellence. The members of the collegium were elected by coöptation. We read of the dignities of *praesul*, *vates*, and *magister* in the collegium.

Tullus Hostilius established another collegium of *Salii*, in fulfilment of a vow which he made in a war with the Sabines. These *Salii* were also twelve in number, chosen from the patricians, and appear to have been dedicated to the service of Quirinus. They were called the *Salii Collini*, *Agonales* or *Agonenses*. It is supposed that the oldest and most illustrious college, the Palatine *Salii*, were chosen originally from the oldest tribe, the *Ramnes*, and the one instituted by Tullus Hostilius, or the Quirinalian, from the *Tities* alone: a third college for the *Luceres* was never established.

SALT-WORKS. [VECTIGALIA.]

SALINUM, a salt-cellar. All Romans who were raised above poverty had one of silver, which descended from father to son, and was accompanied by a silver plate, which was used together with the salt-cellar in the domestic sacrifices. [PATERA.] These two articles of silver were alone compatible with the simplicity of Roman manners in the early times of the republic.

SALTATIO (*δοχμαίς, δοχμαστύς*), dancing. The dancing of the Greeks as well as

of the Romans had very little in common with the exercise which goes by that name in modern times. It may be divided into two kinds, gymnastic and mimetic; that is, it was intended either to represent bodily activity, or to express by gestures, movements, and attitudes, certain ideas or feelings, and also single events or a series of events, as in the modern ballet. All these movements, however, were accompanied by music; but the terms *ὄρχησις* and *saltatio* were used in so much wider a sense than our word dancing, that they were applied to designate gestures, even when the body did not move at all.

We find dancing prevalent among the Greeks from the earliest times. It was originally closely connected with religion. In all the public festivals, which were so numerous among the Greeks, dancing formed a very prominent part. We find from the earliest times that the worship of Apollo was connected with a religious dance, called *Hyporchema* (*ὑπόρχημα*). All the religious dances, with the exception of the Bacchic and the Corybantian, were very simple, and consisted of gentle movements of the body, with various turnings and windings around the altar; such a dance was the *Geranus* (*γέρανος*), which Theseus is said to have performed at Delos on his return from Crete. The Dionysiac or Bacchic, and the Corybantian, were of a very different nature. In the former, the life and adventures of the god were represented by mimetic dancing [*Διονυσία*]. The Corybantian was of a very wild character: it was chiefly danced in Phrygia and in Crete; the dancers were armed, struck their swords against their shields, and displayed the most extravagant fury; it was accompanied chiefly by the flute. Respecting the dances in the theatre, see CHORUS.

Dancing was applied to gymnastic purposes and to training for war, especially in the Doric states, and was believed to have contributed very much to the success of the Dorians in war, as it enabled them to perform their evolutions simultaneously and in order.

There were various dances in early times, which served as a preparation for war; hence Homer calls the Hoplites *πυλῆες*, a war-dance having been called *πύλις* by the Cretans. Of such dances the most celebrated was the Pyrrhic (*ἡ πυρρική*), of which the *πύλις* was probably only another name. It was danced to the sound of the flute, and its time was very quick and light, as is shown by the name of the Pyrrhic foot ("), which must be connected with this dance. In the non-Doric states it was probably not practised as a training for war, but only as a mimetic dance: thus we read of its being danced by women to

entertain a company. It was also performed at Athens at the greater and lesser Panathe-



Corybantian Dance.

naea by ephebi, who were called Pyrrhichists (*πυρρῆχισταί*) and were trained at the expense of the choragus. In the mountainous parts of Thessaly and Macedon dances are performed at the present day by men armed with muskets and swords.

The following cut represents three Pyrrhichists, two of whom with shield and sword are engaged in the dance, while the third is standing with a sword. Above them is a female balancing herself on the head of one, and apparently in the act of performing a somerset; she no doubt is taking part in the dance, and performing a very artistic kind of tumbling (*κυβίστησις*); for the Greek performances of this kind surpass anything we can imagine in modern times. Her danger is increased by the person below, who holds a sword pointing towards her. A female spectator sitting looks on, astonished at the exhibition.

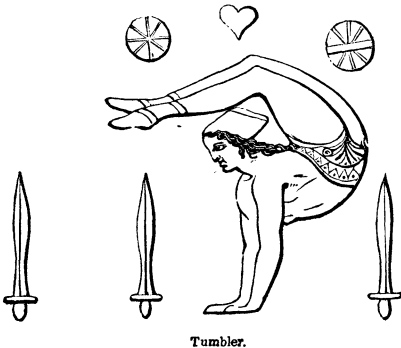


Pyrrhic Dance.

The Pyrrhic dance was introduced in the public games at Rome by Julius Caesar, when it was danced by the children of the leading men in Asia and Bithynia.

There were other dances, besides the Pyrrhic, in which the performers had arms, but

these seem to have been entirely mimetic, and not practised with any view to training for war. Such was the *Carpaea* (καρπαία) peculiar to the Aenianians and Magnetes, and described by Xenophon in the *Anabasis*. Such dances were frequently performed at banquets for the entertainment of the guests: where also the tumblers (κυβιστήρες) were often introduced, who in the course of their dance flung themselves on their head and alighted again upon their feet. These tumblers were also accustomed to make their somersets over knives and swords, which was called *κυβιστῶν εἰς μαχαίρας*. We learn from Tacitus that the German youths also used to dance among swords and spears pointed at them.



Tumbler.

Other kinds of dances were frequently performed at entertainments, in Rome as well as in Greece, by courtezans, many of which were of a very indecent and lascivious nature.

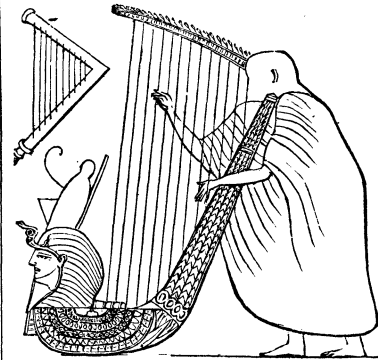
Among the dances performed without arms one of the most important was the *Hormos* (ὄρμος), which was danced at Sparta by youths and maidens together: the youth danced first some movements suited to his age, and of a military nature: the maiden followed in measured steps and with feminine gestures. Another common dance at Sparta was the *bibasis* (βίβασις), in which the dancer sprang rapidly from the ground and struck the feet behind.

Dancing was common among the Romans in ancient times, in connection with religious festivals and rites, because the ancients thought that no part of the body should be free from the influence of religion. The dances of the *Salii*, which were performed by men of patrician families, are described elsewhere. [ANCIENT.] Dancing, however, was not performed by any Roman citizens except in connection with religion, and it was considered disgrace-

ful for any freeman to dance. The mimetic dances of the Romans, which were carried to such perfection under the empire, are described under *PANTOMIMUS*. The dancers on the tight-rope (*funambuli*) under the empire were as skilful as they are in the present day.

SALUTATORES, the name given in the later times of the republic, and under the empire, to a class of men who obtained their living by visiting the houses of the wealthy early in the morning, to pay their respects to them (*salutare*), and to accompany them when they went abroad. This arose from the visits which the clients were accustomed to pay to their patrons, and degenerated in later times into the above mentioned practice: such persons seem to have obtained a good living among the great number of wealthy and vain persons at Rome, who were gratified by this attention. [SPORTULA.]

SAMBUCA (σαμβύκη), a harp, was of oriental origin. The performances of *sambucistriae* (σαμβυκίστριαι) were only known to the early Romans as luxuries brought over from Asia.



Sambuca, Harp.

Sambuca was also the name of a military engine, used to scale the walls and towers of besieged cities. It was called by this name on account of its general resemblance to the form of the harp.

SAMNITES. [GLADIATORES, p. 168.]

SANDALIUM (σανδάλιον or σάνδαλον) a kind of shoe worn only by women. The sandalium must be distinguished from the *hypodema* (ὑπόδημα), which was a simple sole bound under the foot, whereas the sandalium was a sole with a piece of leather covering the toes, so that it formed the transition from

the *hypodema* to real shoes. The piece of leather over the toes was called *ῥυγός* or *ῥυγὼν*.

SANDAPILA. [FŪNUS, p. 162.]

SARCO'PHAGUS. [FŪNUS, p. 162.]

SARISSA. [HASTA.]

SARRA'CUM, a kind of common cart or waggon, which was used by the country-people of Italy for conveying the produce of their fields, trees, and the like, from one place to another.

SAT'URA, the root of which is *sat*, literally means a mixture of all sorts of things. The name was accordingly applied by the Romans in many ways, but always to things consisting of various parts or ingredients, e. g. *lanx satura*, an offering consisting of various fruits, such as were offered at harvest festivals and to Ceres; *lex per saturam lata*, a law which contained several distinct regulations at once; and to a species of poetry, afterwards called *Satira*.

SATURNALIA, the festival of Saturnus, to whom the inhabitants of Latium attributed the introduction of agriculture and the arts of civilized life. Falling towards the end of December, at the season when the agricultural labours of the year were fully completed, it was celebrated in ancient times by the rustic population as a sort of joyous harvest-home, and in every age was viewed by all classes of the community as a period of absolute relaxation and unrestrained merriment. During its continuance no public business could be transacted, the law courts were closed, the schools kept holiday, to commence a war was impious, to punish a malefactor involved pollution. Special indulgences were granted to the slaves of each domestic establishment; they were relieved from all ordinary toils, were permitted to wear the *pileus*, the badge of freedom, were granted full freedom of speech, and partook of a banquet attired in the clothes of their masters, and were waited upon by them at table.

All ranks devoted themselves to feasting and mirth, presents were interchanged among friends, *cerei* or wax tapers being the common offering of the more humble to their superiors, and crowds thronged the streets, shouting, *Io Saturnalia* (this was termed *clamare Saturnalia*), while sacrifices were offered with uncovered head, from a conviction that no ill-omened sight would interrupt the rites of such a happy day. Many of the peculiar customs of this festival exhibit a remarkable resemblance to the sports of our own Christmas and of the Italian Carnival. Thus on the Saturnalia public gambling was allowed by the aediles, just as in the days of our an-

cestors the most rigid were wont to countenance card-playing on Christmas-eve; the whole population threw off the toga, wore a loose gown, called *synthesis*, and walked about with the pileus on their heads, which reminds us of the dominos, the peaked caps, and other disguises worn by masques and mummers; the *cerei* were probably employed as the *moccoli* now are on the last night of the Carnival; and lastly, one of the amusements in private society was the election of a mock king, which at once calls to recollection the characteristic ceremony of Twelfth-night.

During the republic, although the whole month of December was considered as dedicated to Saturn, only one day, the xiv. Kal. Jan. was set apart for the sacred rites of the divinity. When the month was lengthened by the addition of two days upon the adoption of the Julian Calendar, the Saturnalia fell on the xvi. Kal. Jan., which gave rise to confusion and mistakes among the more ignorant portion of the people. To obviate this inconvenience, and allay all religious scruples, Augustus enacted that three whole days, the 17th, 18th, and 19th of December, should in all time coming be hallowed, thus embracing both the old and new style.

Under the empire the merry-making lasted for seven days, and three different festivals were celebrated during this period. First came the *Saturnalia* proper, commencing on xvi. Kal. Jan., followed by the *Opalia*, anciently coincident with the Saturnalia, on xiv. Kal. Jan.; these two together lasted for five days, and the sixth and seventh were occupied with the *Sigillaria*, so called from little earthenware figures (*sigilla, oscilla*) exposed for sale at this season, and given as toys to children.

SCALES. [LIBRA.]

SCENA. [THEATRUM.]

SCEPTRUM (*σκήπτρον*), which originally denoted a simple staff or walking-stick, was emblematic of station and authority. In ancient authors the sceptre is represented as belonging more especially to kings, princes, and leaders of tribes: but it is also borne by judges, by heralds, and by priests and seers. The sceptre descended from father to son, and might be committed to any one in order to express the transfer of authority. Those who bore the sceptre swore by it, solemnly taking it in the right hand and raising it towards heaven.

The following cut, representing Aeneas followed by Ascanius and carrying off his father Anchises, who holds the sceptre in his right hand, shows its form as worn by kings. The ivory sceptre of the kings of Rome, which

descended to the consuls, was surmounted by an eagle.



Sceptrum.

SCHOENUS (ὁ, ἡ, σχοῖνος), an Egyptian and Persian measure, the length of which is stated by Herodotus at 60 stadia, or 2 parasangs. It was used especially for measuring land.

SCORPIO. [TORMENTUM.]

SCRIBAE, public notaries or clerks, in the pay of the Roman state. They were chiefly employed in making up the public accounts, copying out laws, and recording the proceedings of the different functionaries of the state. The phrase *scriptum facere* was used to denote their occupation. Being very numerous, they were divided into companies or classes (*decuriae*), and were assigned by lot to different magistrates, whence they were named *Quaestorii*, *Aedilicii*, or *Praetorii*, from the officers of state to whom they were attached. The appointment to the office of a "scriba" seems to have been either made on the nomination of a magistrate, or purchased. Horace, for instance, bought for himself a "patent place as clerk in the treasury" (*scriptum quaestorium comparavit*). In Cicero's time, indeed, it seems that any one might become a scriba or public clerk, by purchase, and consequently, as freedmen and their sons were eligible, and constituted a great portion of the public clerks at Rome, the office was not highly esteemed, though frequently held by ingenui or freeborn citizens. Very few instances are recorded of the scribae being raised to the higher dignities of the state. Cn. Flavius, the scribe of Appius Claudius, was raised to the office of curule aedile in

gratitude for his making public the various forms of actions, which had previously been the exclusive property of the patricians [*Actio*]; but the returning officer refused to acquiesce in his election till he had given up his books and left his profession.

SCRINIUM. [CAPSA.]

SCRIPTA DUODECIM. [LATRUNCULI.]

SCRIPTURA, that part of the revenue of the Roman republic which was derived from letting out, as pasture land, those portions of the *ager publicus* which were not taken into cultivation. The names for such parts of the *ager publicus* were, *pascua publica*, *saltus*, or *silvae*. They were let by the censors to the publicani, like all other vectigalia; and the persons who sent their cattle to graze on such public pastures had to pay a certain tax or duty to the publicani, which of course varied according to the number and quality of the cattle which they kept upon them. The publicani had to keep the list of persons who sent their cattle upon the public pastures, together with the number and quality of the cattle. From this registering (*scribere*) the duty itself was called *scriptura*, the public pasture land, *ager scripturarius*, and the publicani, or their agents who raised the tax, *scripturarii*. The *Lex Thoria* (B. C. 111) did away with the *scriptura* in Italy, where the public pastures were very numerous and extensive, especially in Apulia, and the lands themselves were now sold or distributed. In the provinces, where the public pastures were also let out in the same manner, the practice continued until the time of the empire; but afterwards the *scriptura* is no longer mentioned.

SCRUPULUM, or more properly **SCRIPTULUM** or **SCRIPTULUM** (γράμμα), the smallest denomination of weight among the Romans. It was the 24th part of the *UNCIA*, or the 288th of the *LIBRA*, and therefore = 18.66 grains English, which is about the average weight of the scrupular aurei still in existence. [AURUM.]

As a square measure, it was the smallest division of the *jugerum*, which contained 288 scrupula. [JUGERUM.]

SCUTUM (θυρεός), the Roman shield, worn by the heavy-armed infantry, instead of being round, like the Greek *CLYPEUS*, was adapted to the form of the human body, by being made either oval or of the shape of a door (*θύρα*), which it also resembled in being made of wood or wicker-work, and from which consequently its Greek name was derived. Its form is shown in the following cut. Polybius says that the dimensions of the scutum were 4 feet by 2½.



Scuta, Shields.

SCYTALE (σκυτάλη) is the name applied to a secret mode of writing, by which the Spartan ephors communicated with their kings and generals when abroad. When a king or general left Sparta, the ephors gave to him a staff of a definite length and thickness, and retained for themselves another of precisely the same size. When they had any communications to make to him, they cut the material upon which they intended to write into the shape of a narrow riband, wound it round their staff, and then wrote upon it the message which they had to send to him. When the strip of writing material was taken from the staff, nothing but single letters appeared, and in this state the strip was sent to the general, who after having wound it round his staff, was able to read the communication.

SECTIO, the sale of a man's property by the state (*publice*). This was done in consequence of a condemnatio, and for the purpose of repayment to the state of such sums of money as the condemned person had improperly appropriated; or in consequence of a proscription. Sometimes the things sold were called *sectio*. Those who bought the property were called *sectores*. The property was sold *sub hasta*.

SECTOR. [SECTIO.]

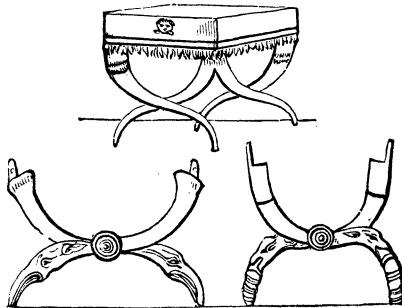
SECURIS (ἄξινη, πέλεκυς), an axe or hatchet. The axe was either made with a single edge, or with a blade or head on each side of the haft, the latter kind being denominated *bipennis*. The axe was used as a weapon of war chiefly by the Asiatic nations. It was a part of the Roman fasces. [FASCES.]

SECUTORES. [GLADIATORES, p. 168.]

SELLA, the general term for a seat or

chair of any description. 1. **SELLA CURULIS**, the chair of state. *Curulis* is derived by the ancient writers from *currus*, but it more probably contains the same root as *curia*. The *sella curulis* is said to have been used at Rome from a very remote period as an emblem of kingly power, having been imported, along with various other insignia of royalty, from Etruria. Under the republic the right of sitting upon this chair belonged to the consuls, praetors, curule aediles, and censors; to the *flamen dialis*; to the dictator, and to those whom he deputed to act under himself, as the *magister equitum*, since he might be said to comprehend all magistracies within himself. After the downfall of the constitution, it was assigned to the emperors also, or to their statues in their absence; to the augustales, and, perhaps, to the *praefectus urbi*. It was displayed upon all great public occasions, especially in the circus and theatre; and it was the seat of the praetor when he administered justice. In the provinces it was assumed by inferior magistrates, when they exercised proconsular or propraetorian authority. We find it occasionally exhibited on the medals of foreign monarchs likewise, for it was the practice of the Romans to present a curule chair, an ivory sceptre, a toga praetexta, and such like ornaments, as tokens of respect and confidence to those rulers whose friendship they desired to cultivate.

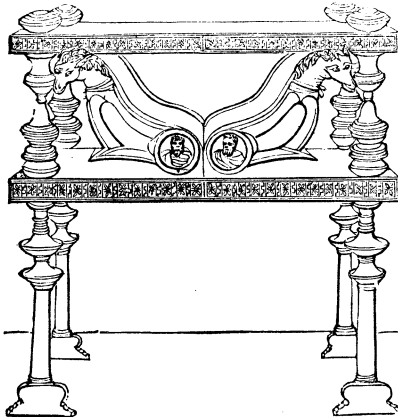
The *sella curulis* appears from the first to have been ornamented with ivory; and at a later period it was overlaid with gold. In shape it was extremely plain, closely resembling a common folding camp-stool with crooked legs. The form of the *sella curulis*, as it is commonly represented upon the denarii of the Roman families, is given in p. 151. In the following cut are represented two pair of



Sellae Curules.

bronze legs, belonging to a sella curulis, and likewise a sella curulis itself.

2. **BISELLIUM.** The word is found in no classical author except Varro, according to whom it means a seat large enough to contain two persons. Two bronze bisellia were discovered at Pompeii, and thus all uncertainty with regard to the form of the seat has been removed. One of these is here represented.



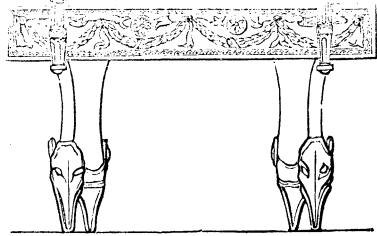
Bisellium.

3. **SELLA GESTATORIA, or FERTORIA**, a sedan used both in town and country, and by men as well as by women. It is expressly distinguished from the *LECTICA*, a portable bed or sofa, in which the person carried lay in a recumbent position, while the *sella* was a portable chair, in which the occupant sat upright. It differed from the *cathedra* also, but in what the difference consisted, it is not easy to determine. [*CATHEDRA.*] It appears not to have been introduced until long after the *lectica* was common, since we scarcely, if ever, find any allusion to it until the period of the empire. The *sella* was sometimes entirely open, but more frequently shut in. It was made sometimes of plain leather, and sometimes ornamented with bone, ivory, silver, or gold, according to the fortune of the proprietor. It was furnished with a pillow to support the head and neck (*cervical*): the motion was so easy that one might study without inconvenience, while at the same time it afforded a healthful exercise.

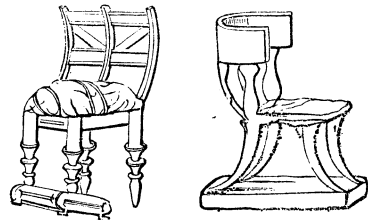
4. Chairs for ordinary domestic purposes have been discovered in excavations, or are

seen represented in ancient frescoes, many displaying great taste.

The first of the following cuts represents a bronze chair from the museum of Naples; the second two chairs, of which the one on the right hand is in the Vatican, and the other is taken from a painting at Pompeii.



Bronze Chair.



Sellae, Chairs.

SEMIS, SEMISSIS. [As.]

SEMUNCIA. [UNCIA.]

SEMUNCIA RIUM FENUS. [FENUS.]

SENATE, Athenian [*BOULE*], Spartan [*GEROUSIA*], Roman [*SENATUS*].

SENATUS. In all the republics of antiquity the government was divided between a senate and a popular assembly; and in cases where a king stood at the head of affairs, as at Sparta and in early Rome, the king had little more than the executive. A senate in the early times was always regarded as an assembly of elders, which is in fact the meaning of the Roman *senatus*, as of the Spartan (*γερουσία*), and its members were elected from among the nobles of the nation. The number of senators in the ancient republics always bore a distinct relation to the number of tribes of which the nation was composed. [*BOULE*; *GEROUSIA*.] Hence in the earliest times, when Rome consisted of only one tribe, its senate consisted of one hundred members (*senatores* or *patres*; com-

pare PATRICII), and when the Sabine tribe or the Tities became united with the Latin tribe or the Ramnes, the number of senators was increased to two hundred. This number was again augmented to three hundred by Tarquinius Priscus, when the third tribe or the Luceres became incorporated with the Roman state. The new senators added by Tarquinius Priscus were distinguished from those belonging to the two older tribes by the appellation *patres minorum gentium*, as previously those who represented the Tities had been distinguished, by the same name, from those who represented the Ramnes. Under Tarquinius Superbus the number of senators is said to have become very much diminished, as he is reported to have put many to death and sent others in exile. This account however appears to be greatly exaggerated, and it is probable that several vacancies in the senate arose from many of the senators accompanying the tyrant into his exile. The vacancies which had thus arisen were filled up immediately after the establishment of the republic, when several noble plebeians of equestrian rank were made senators. These new senators were distinguished from the old ones by the name of *Conscripti*; and hence the customary mode of addressing the whole senate henceforth always was: *Patres Conscripti*, that is, *Patres et Conscripti*.

The number of 300 senators appears to have remained unaltered for several centuries. The first permanent increase to their number was made by Sulla, and the senate seems henceforth to have consisted of between five and six hundred. Julius Caesar augmented the number to 900, and raised to this dignity even common soldiers, freedmen, and peregrini. Augustus cleared the senate of the unworthy members, who were contemptuously called by the people *Orcini senatores*, and reduced its number to 600.

In the time of the kings the senate was probably elected by the gentes, each gens appointing one member as its representative; and as there were 300 gentes, there were consequently 300 senators. The whole senate was divided into decuries, each of which corresponded to a curia. When the senate consisted of only one hundred members, there were accordingly only ten decuries of senators; and ten senators, one being taken from each decury, formed the *Decem Primi*, who represented the ten curies. When subsequently the representatives of the two other tribes were admitted into the senate, the Ramnes with their decem primi retained for a time their superiority over the two other tribes and gave their votes first. The first

among the decem primi was the *princeps senatus*, who was appointed by the king, and was at the same time *custos urbis*. [PRAEFECTUS URBI.] Respecting the age at which a person might be elected into the senate during the kingly period, we know no more than what is indicated by the name senator itself, that is, that they were persons of advanced age.

Soon after the establishment of the republic, though at what time is uncertain, the right of appointing senators passed from the gentes into the hands of the consuls, consular tribunes, and subsequently of the censors. At the same time, the right which the magistrates possessed of electing senators was by no means an arbitrary power, for the senators were usually taken from among those whom the people had previously invested with a magistracy, so that in reality the people themselves always nominated the candidates for the senate, which on this account remained, as before, a representative assembly.

After the institution of the censorship, the censors alone had the right of introducing new members into the senate from among the ex-magistrates, and of excluding such as they deemed unworthy. [CENSOR.] The exclusion was affected by simply passing over their names, and not entering them on the lists of senators, whence such men were called *Præteriti Senatores*. On one extraordinary occasion the eldest among the ex-censors was invested with dictatorial power for the purpose of filling up vacancies in the senate.

As all curule magistrates, and also the quaestors, had by virtue of their office a seat in the senate, even if they had not been elected senators, we must distinguish between two classes of senators, viz., real senators, or such as had been regularly raised to their dignity by the magistrates or the censors, and such as had, by virtue of the office which they held or had held, a right to take their seat in the senate and to speak (*sententiam dicere, jus sententiae*), but not to vote. To this *ordo senatorius* also belonged the pontifex maximus and the flamen dialis. Though these senators had no right to vote, they might, when the real senators had voted, step over or join the one or the other party, whence they were called *Senatores Pedarii*, an appellation which had in former times been applied to those juniors who were not consulars.

When at length all the state offices had become equally accessible to the plebeians and the patricians, and when the majority of offices were held by the former, their number in the senate naturally increased in proportion. The senate had gradually become an assembly rep-

resenting the people, as formerly it had represented the populus, and down to the last century of the republic the senatorial dignity was only regarded as one conferred by the people. But notwithstanding this apparently popular character of the senate, it was never a popular or a democratic assembly, for now its members belonged to the nobles, who were as aristocratic as the patricians. [NOVI HOMINES.] The office of princeps senatus, which had become independent of that of praetor urbanus, was now given by the censors, and at first always to the eldest among the ex-censors, but afterwards to any other senator whom they thought most worthy; and unless there was any charge to be made against him, he was re-elected at the next lustrum. This distinction, however, great as it was, afforded neither power nor advantages, and did not even confer the privilege of presiding at the meetings of the senate, which only belonged to those magistrates who had the right of convoking the senate.

During the republican period no senatorial census existed, although senators naturally always belonged to the wealthiest classes. The institution of a census for senators belongs to the time of the empire. Augustus first fixed it at 400,000 sesterces, afterwards increased it to double this sum, and at last even to 1,200,000 sesterces. Those senators whose property did not amount to this sum received grants from the emperor to make it up.

As regards the age at which a person might become a senator, we have no express statement for the time of the republic, although it appears to have been fixed by some custom or law, as the *aetas senatoria* is frequently mentioned, especially during the latter period of the republic. But we may by induction discover the probable age. We know that, according to the *lex annalis* of the tribune Villius, the age fixed for the quaestorship was 31. Now as it might happen that a quaestor was made a senator immediately after the expiration of his office, we may presume that the earliest age at which a man could become a senator was 32. Augustus at last fixed the senatorial age at 25, which appears to have remained unaltered throughout the time of the empire.

No senator was allowed to carry on any mercantile business. About the commencement of the second Punic war, some senators appear to have violated this law or custom, and in order to prevent its recurrence a law was passed, with the vehement opposition of the senate, that none of its members should be permitted to possess a ship of more than 300 amphorae in tonnage, as this was thought

sufficiently large to convey to Rome the produce of their estates abroad. It is clear, however, that this law was frequently violated.

Regular meetings of the senate (*senatus legitimus*) took place during the republic, and probably during the kingly period also, on the calends, nones, and ides of every month: extraordinary meetings (*senatus indictus*) might be convoked on any other day, with the exception of those which were *atri*, and those on which *comitia* were held. The right of convoking the senate during the kingly period belonged to the king or to his vicergerent, the *custos urbis*. This right was during the republic transferred to the curule magistrates, and at last to the tribunes also. If a senator did not appear on a day of meeting, he was liable to a fine, for which a pledge was taken (*pignoris captio*) until it was paid. Towards the end of the republic it was decreed, that during the whole month of February the senate should give audience to foreign ambassadors on all days on which the senate could lawfully meet, and that no other matters should be discussed until these affairs were settled.

The places where the meetings of the senate were held (*curiae*, *senacula*) were always inaugurated by the augurs. [TEPLUM.] The most ancient place was the Curia Hostilia, in which alone originally a *senatus-consultum* could be made. Afterwards, however, several temples were used for this purpose, such as the temple of Concordia, a place near the temple of Bellona [LEGATUS], and one near the porta Capena. Under the emperors the senate also met in other places: under Caesar, the Curia Julia, a building of immense splendour, was commenced; but subsequently meetings of the senate were frequently held in the house of a consul.

The subjects laid before the senate belonged partly to the internal affairs of the state, partly to legislation, and partly to finance; and no measure could be brought before the populus without having previously been discussed and prepared by the senate. The senate was thus the medium through which all affairs of the whole government had to pass: it considered and discussed whatever measures the king thought proper to introduce, and had, on the other hand, a perfect control over the assembly of the populus, which could only accept or reject what the senate brought before it. When a king died, the royal dignity, until a successor was elected, was transferred to the Decem Primi, each of whom in rotation held this dignity for five days.

Under the republic, the senate had at first the right of proposing to the *comitia* the can-

didates for magistracies, but this right was subsequently lost: the comitia centuriata became quite free in regard to elections, and were no longer dependent upon the proposal of the senate. The curies only still possessed the right of sanctioning the election; but in the year B. C. 299 they were compelled to sanction any election of magistrates which the comitia might make, before it took place, and this soon after became law by the Lex Maenia. When at last the curies no longer assembled for this empty show of power, the senate stepped into their place, and henceforth in elections, and soon after in matters of legislation, the senate had previously to sanction whatever the comitia might decide. After the Lex Hortensia a decree of the comitia tributa became law, even without the sanction of the senate. The original state of things had thus gradually become reversed, and the senate had lost very important branches of its power, which had all been gained by the comitia tributa. In its relation to the comitia centuriata, however, the ancient rules were still in force, as laws, declarations of war, conclusions of peace, treaties, &c. were brought before them, and decided by them on the proposal of the senate.

The powers of the senate, after both orders were placed upon a perfect equality, may be thus briefly summed up. The senate continued to have the supreme superintendence in all matters of religion; it determined upon the manner in which a war was to be conducted, what legions were to be placed at the disposal of a commander, and whether new ones were to be levied; it decreed into what provinces the consuls and praetors were to be sent [PROVINCIA], and whose imperium was to be prolonged. The commissioners who were generally sent out to settle the administration of a newly-conquered country, were always appointed by the senate. All embassies for the conclusion of peace or treaties with foreign states were sent out by the senate, and such ambassadors were generally senators themselves, and ten in number. The senate alone carried on the negotiations with foreign ambassadors, and received the complaints of subject or allied nations, who always regarded the senate as their common protector. By virtue of this office of protector it also settled all disputes which might arise among the municipalities and colonies of Italy, and punished all heavy crimes committed in Italy, which might endanger the public peace and security. Even in Rome itself, the judices to whom the praetor referred important cases, both public and private, were taken from among the senators, and in extraordinary cases the senate appointed

especial commissions to investigate them; but such a commission, if the case in question was a capital offence committed by a citizen, required the sanction of the people. When the republic was in danger, the senate might confer unlimited power upon the magistrates by the formula, *Videant consules, ne quid respublica detrimenti capiat*, which was equivalent to a declaration of martial law within the city. This general care for the internal and external welfare of the republic included, as before, the right of disposing of the finances requisite for these purposes. Hence all the revenue and expenditure of the republic were under the direct administration of the senate, and the censors and quaestors were only its ministers or agents. [CENSOR; QUAESTOR.] All the expenses necessary for the maintenance of the armies required the sanction of the senate, before anything could be done, and it might even prevent the triumph of a returning general, by refusing to assign the money necessary for it. There are, however, instances of a general triumphing without the consent of the senate.

How many members were required to be present in order to constitute a legal assembly, is uncertain, though it appears that there existed some regulations on this point, and there is one instance on record, in which at least one hundred senators were required to be present. The presiding magistrate opened the business with the words *Quod bonum, faustum, felix fortunatumque sit populo Romano Quiritibus*, and then laid before the assembly (*refere, relatio*) what he had to propose. Towards the end of the republic the order in which the question was put to the senators appears to have depended upon the discretion of the presiding consul, who called upon each member by pronouncing his name; but he usually began with the princeps senatus, or if consules designati were present, with them. The consul generally observed all the year round the same order in which he had commenced on the first of January. A senator when called upon to speak might do so at full length, and even introduce subjects not directly connected with the point at issue. It depended upon the president which of the opinions expressed he would put to the vote, and which he would pass over. The majority of votes always decided a question. The majority was ascertained either by *numratio* or *discessio*; that is, the president either counted the votes, or the members who voted on the same side separated from those who voted otherwise. The latter mode seems to have been the usual one. What the senate determined was called *senatusconsultum*, be

cause the consul, who introduced the business, was said *senatum consulere*. In the enacting part of a lex the populus were said *jubere*, and in a plebiscitum *scire*; in a *senatusconsultum* the senate was said *censere*.

Certain forms were observed in drawing up a *senatusconsultum*, of which there is an example in Cicero: "S. C. Auctoritates Prædix. Kal. Octob. in Aede Apollinis, scribendo adfuerunt L. Domitius Cn. Filius Ahenobarbus, &c. Quod M. Marcellus Consul V. F. (*verba fecit*) de prov. Cons. D. E. R. I. C. (*de ea re ita censuerunt Uti, &c.*)" The names of the persons who were witnesses to the drawing up of the *senatusconsultum* were called the *auctoritates*, and these *auctoritates* were cited as evidence of the fact of the persons named in them having been present at the drawing up of the S. C. There can be no doubt that certain persons were required to be present *scribendo*, but others might assist if they chose, and a person in this way might testify his regard for another on behalf of whom or with reference to whom the S. C. was made. Besides the phrase *scribendo adesse*, there are *esse ad scribendum* and *poni ad scribendum*. When a S. C. was made on the motion of a person, it was said to be made *in sententiam ejus*. If the S. C. was carried, it was written on tablets and placed in the *Aerarium*.

Senatusconsulta were, properly speaking, laws, for it is clear that the senate had legislative power even in the republican period; but it is difficult to determine how far their legislative power extended. A *decretum* of the senate was a rule made by the senate as to some matter which was strictly within its competence, and thus differed from a *senatusconsultum*, which was a law; but these words are often used indiscriminately and with little precision. Many of the *senatusconsulta* of the republican period were only determinations of the senate, which became *leges* by being carried in the *comitia*. One instance of this kind occurred on the occasion of the trial of Clodius for violating the mysteries of the Bona Dea. A *rogatio* on the subject of the trial was proposed to the *comitia ex senatusconsulto*, which is also spoken of as the *auctoritas* of the senate.

A senate was not allowed to be held before sunrise or to be prolonged after sunset: on extraordinary emergencies, however, this regulation was set aside.

During the latter part of the republic the senate was degraded in various ways by Sulla, Caesar, and others, and on many occasions it was only an instrument in the hands of the men in power. In this way it

became prepared for the despotic government of the emperors, when it was altogether the creature and obedient instrument of the princes. The emperor himself was generally also princeps *senatus*, and had the power of convoking both ordinary and extraordinary meetings, although the consuls, prætors and tribunes continued to have the same right. The ordinary meetings, according to a regulation of Augustus, were held twice in every month.

In the reign of Tiberius the election of magistrates was transferred from the people to the senate, which, however, was enjoined to take especial notice of those candidates who were recommended to it by the emperor. At the demise of an emperor the senate had the right of appointing his successor, in case no one had been nominated by the emperor himself; but the senate very rarely had an opportunity of exercising this right, as it was usurped by the soldiers. The *aerarium* at first still continued nominally to be under the control of the senate, but the emperors gradually took it under their own exclusive management, and the senate retained nothing but the administration of the funds of the city (*arca publica*), which were distinct both from the *aerarium* and from the *fiscus*. Augustus ordained that no accusations should any longer be brought before the *comitia*, and instead of them he raised the senate to a high court of justice, upon which he conferred the right of taking cognisance of capital offences committed by senators, of crimes against the state and the person of the emperors, and of crimes committed by the provincial magistrates in the administration of their provinces. Respecting the provinces of the senate, see *PROVINCIA*. Under the empire, *senatusconsulta* began to take the place of *leges*, properly so called, and as the senate was, with the exception of the emperor, the only legislating body, such *senatusconsulta* are frequently designated by the name of the consuls in whose year of office they were passed.

The distinctions and privileges enjoyed by senators were: 1. The *tunica* with a broad purple stripe (*latus clavus*) in front, which was woven in it, and not, as is commonly believed, sewed upon it. 2. A kind of short boot, with the letter C. on the front of the foot. This C. is generally supposed to mean *centum*, and to refer to the original number of 100 (*centum*) senators. 3. The right of sitting in the orchestra in the theatres and amphitheatres. This distinction was first procured for the senators by Scipio Africanus Major, 194 B. C. 4. On a certain day in the year a sacrifice was offered to Jupiter in the capitol,

and on this occasion the senators alone had a feast in the capitol; the right was called the *jus publice epulandi*. 5. The *jus liberae legationis*. [LEGATUS, p. 188.]

SENIORES. [COMITIA, p. 95.]

SEPTENVIRI EPULONES. [EPULONES.]

SEPTIMONTIUM, a Roman festival which was held in the month of December. It was celebrated by the montani, or the inhabitants of the seven ancient hills or rather districts of Rome, who offered on this day sacrifices to the gods in their respective districts. These sacra were, like the Paganalia, not sacra publica, but privata. They were believed to have been instituted to commemorate the enclosure of the seven hills of Rome within the walls of the city, and must certainly be referred to a time when the Capitoline, Quirinal, and Viminal were not yet incorporated with Rome.

SEPTUM. [COMITIA, p. 96.]

SEPTUNX. [AS.]

SEPULCHRES. [FUNUS.]

SEPULCRUM. [FUNUS.]

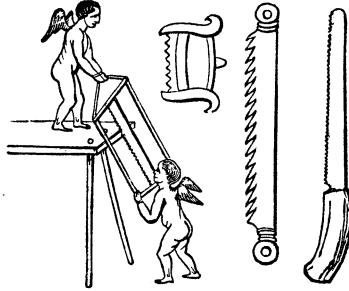
SERA. [JANUA.]

SERICUM (σηρικόν), silk, also called *bombycinum*. Raw silk was brought from the interior of Asia, and manufactured in Cos, as early as the fourth century B. C. From this island it appears that the Roman ladies obtained their most splendid garments [COA VESTIS], which were remarkably thin, sometimes of a fine purple dye, and variegated with transverse stripes of gold. Silk was supposed to come from the country of the Seres in Asia, whence a silk garment is usually called *Serica vestis*. Under the empire the rage for such garments was constantly on the increase. Even men aspired to be adorned with silk, and hence the senate, early in the reign of Tiberius, enacted *ne vestis Serica viros foedaret*.

The eggs of the silkworm were first brought into Europe in the age of Justinian, A. D. 530, in the hollow stem of a plant from "Serinda," which was probably Khotan in Little Bucharía, by some monks, who had learnt the method of hatching and rearing them.

SERRA, *dim.* SERRULA (σπίλων) a saw. It was made of iron. The form of the larger saw used for cutting timber is seen in the annexed woodcut, which is taken from a miniature in the celebrated Dioscorides written at the beginning of the sixth century. It is of the kind called the frame-saw, because fixed in a rectangular frame. It was held by a workman at each end. The woodcut also shows the blade of the saw detached from its frame, with a ring at each end for fixing it in

the frame. On each side of the last-mentioned figure is represented a hand-saw adapted to be used by a single person.



Serrae, Saws.

SERTA. [CORONA.]

SERVUS (δούλος), a slave. 1. GREEK. Slavery existed almost throughout the whole of Greece; and Aristotle says that a complete household is that, which consists of slaves and freemen, and he defines a slave to be a living working-tool and possession. None of the Greek philosophers ever seem to have objected to slavery as a thing morally wrong; Plato in his perfect state only desires that no Greeks should be made slaves by Greeks, and Aristotle defends the justice of the institution on the ground of a diversity of race, and divides mankind into the free and those who are slaves by nature: under the latter description he appears to have regarded all barbarians in the Greek sense of the word, and therefore considers their slavery justifiable.

In the most ancient times there are said to have been no slaves in Greece, but we find them in the Homeric poems, though by no means so generally as in later times. They are usually prisoners taken in war, who serve their conquerors: but we also read as well of the purchase and sale of slaves. They were, however, at that time mostly confined to the houses of the wealthy.

There were two kinds of slavery among the Greeks. One species arose when the inhabitants of a country were subdued by an invading tribe and reduced to the condition of serfs or bondsmen. They lived upon and cultivated the land which their masters had appropriated to themselves, and paid them a certain rent. They also attended their masters in war. They could not be sold out of the country or separated from their families,

and could acquire property. Such were the Helots of Sparta [HELOTES], and the Penestæ of Thessaly [PENESTÆ]. The other species of slavery consisted of domestic slaves acquired by purchase, who were entirely the property of their masters, and could be disposed of like any other goods and chattels: these were the *δοῦλοι* properly so called, and were the kind of slaves that existed at Athens and Corinth. In commercial cities slaves were very numerous, as they performed the work of the artisans and manufacturers of modern towns. In poorer republics, which had little or no capital, and which subsisted wholly by agriculture, they would be few: thus in Phocis and Locris there are said to have been originally no domestic slaves. The majority of slaves was purchased; few comparatively were born in the family of the master, partly because the number of female slaves was very small in comparison with the male, and partly because the cohabitation of slaves was discouraged, as it was considered cheaper to purchase than to rear slaves.

It was a recognized rule of Greek national law that the persons of those who were taken prisoners in war became the property of the conqueror, but it was the practice for Greeks to give liberty to those of their own nation on payment of a ransom. Consequently almost all slaves in Greece, with the exception of the serfs above-mentioned, were barbarians. The chief supply seems to have come from the Greek colonies in Asia Minor, which had abundant opportunities of obtaining them from their own neighbourhood and the interior of Asia. A considerable number of slaves also came from Thrace, where the parents frequently sold their children.

At Athens, as well as in other states, there was a regular slave-market, called the *κύκλος*, because the slaves stood round in a circle. They were also sometimes sold by auction, and were then placed on a stone. The same was also the practice in Rome, whence the phrase *homo de lapide emtus*. [AUCTIO.] At Athens the number of slaves was far greater than the free population. Even the poorest citizen had a slave for the care of his household, and in every moderate establishment many were employed for all possible occupations, as bakers, cooks, tailors, &c.

Slaves either worked on their masters' account or their own (in the latter case they paid their masters a certain sum a day); or they were let out by their master on hire, either for the mines or any other kind of labour, or as hired servants for wages. The

rowers on board the ships were usually slaves, who either belonged to the state or to private persons, who let them out to the state on payment of a certain sum. It appears that a considerable number of persons kept large gangs of slaves merely for the purpose of letting out, and found this a profitable mode of investing their capital. Great numbers were required for the mines, and in most cases the mine-lessees would be obliged to hire some, as they would not have sufficient capital to purchase as many as they wanted.

The rights of possession with regard to slaves differed in no respect from any other property; they could be given or taken as pledges. The condition, however, of Greek slaves was upon the whole better than that of Roman ones, with the exception perhaps of Sparta, where, according to Plutarch, it is the best place in the world to be a freeman, and the worst to be a slave. At Athens especially the slaves seem to have been allowed a degree of liberty and indulgence, which was never granted to them at Rome.

The life and person of a slave at Athens were also protected by the law: a person who struck or maltreated a slave was liable to an action; a slave too could not be put to death without legal sentence. He could even take shelter from the cruelty of his master in the temple of Theseus, and there claim the privilege of being sold by him. The person of a slave was, of course, not considered so sacred as that of a freeman: his offences were punished with corporal chastisement, which was the last mode of punishment inflicted on a freeman; he was not believed upon his oath, but his evidence in courts of justice was always taken with torture.

Notwithstanding the generally mild treatment of slaves in Greece, their insurrection was not unfrequent: but these insurrections in Attica were usually confined to the mining slaves, who were treated with more severity than the others.

Slaves were sometimes manumitted at Athens, though not so frequently as at Rome. Those who were manumitted (*ἀπελευθεροί*) did not become citizens, as they might at Rome, but passed into the condition of *metoici*. They were obliged to honour their former master as their patron (*προστάτης*), and to fulfil certain duties towards him, the neglect of which rendered them liable to the *δίκη ἀποστασίον*, by which they might again be sold into slavery.

Respecting the public slaves at Athens, see DEMOSII.

It appears that there was a tax upon slaves

at Athens, which was probably three oboli a year for each slave.

2. ROMAN. The Romans viewed liberty as the natural state, and slavery as a condition which was contrary to the natural state. The mutual relation of slave and master among the Romans was expressed by the terms *Servus* and *Dominus*; and the power and interest which the dominus had over and in the slave was expressed by *Dominium*.

Slaves existed at Rome in the earliest times of which we have any record; but they do not appear to have been numerous under the kings and in the earliest ages of the republic. The different trades and the mechanical arts were chiefly carried on by the clients of the patricians, and the small farms in the country were cultivated for the most part by the labours of the proprietor and of his own family. But as the territories of the Roman state were extended, the patricians obtained possession of large estates out of the ager publicus, since it was the practice of the Romans to deprive a conquered people of part of their land. These estates probably required a larger number of hands for their cultivation than could readily be obtained among the free population, and since the freemen were constantly liable to be called away from their work to serve in the armies, the lands began to be cultivated almost entirely by slave labour. Through war and commerce slaves could easily be obtained, and at a cheap rate, and their number soon became so great, that the poorer class of freemen was thrown almost entirely out of employment. This state of things was one of the chief arguments used by Licinius and the Gracchi for limiting the quantity of public land which a person might possess. In Sicily, which supplied Rome with so great a quantity of corn, the number of agricultural slaves was immense: the oppressions to which they were exposed drove them twice to open rebellion, and their numbers enabled them to defy for a time the Roman power. The first of these servile wars began in B. C. 134 and ended in B. C. 132, and the second commenced in B. C. 102, and lasted almost four years.

Long, however, after it had become the custom to employ large gangs of slaves in the cultivation of the land, the number of those who served as personal attendants still continued to be small. Persons in good circumstances seem usually to have had one only to wait upon them, who was generally called by the name of his master with the word *por* (that is, *puer*) affixed to it, as *Caipor*, *Lucipor*, *Marcipor*, *Publipor*, *Quintipor*, &c. But during the latter times of the republic and under the empire

the number of domestic slaves greatly increased, and in every family of importance there were separate slaves to attend to all the necessities of domestic life. It was considered a reproach to a man not to keep a considerable number of slaves. The first question asked respecting a person's fortune was *Quot pascit servos*, "How many slaves does he keep?" Ten slaves seem to have been the lowest number which a person could keep in the age of Augustus, with a proper regard to respectability in society. The immense number of prisoners taken in the constant wars of the republic, and the increase of wealth and luxury, augmented the number of slaves to a prodigious extent. A freedman under Augustus, who had lost much property in the civil wars, left at his death as many as 4,116. Two hundred was no uncommon number for one person to keep. The mechanical arts, which were formerly in the hands of the clients, were now entirely exercised by slaves: a natural growth of things, for where slaves perform certain duties or practise certain arts, such duties or arts will be thought degrading to a freeman. It must not be forgotten, that the games of the amphitheatre required an immense number of slaves trained for the purpose. [GLADIATORS.] Like the slaves in Sicily, the gladiators in Italy rose in B. C. 73 against their oppressors, and under the able generalship of Spartacus, defeated a Roman consular army, and were not subdued till B. C. 71, when 60,000 of them are said to have fallen in battle.

A slave could not contract a marriage. His cohabitation with a woman was *contubernium*; and no legal relation between him and his children was recognized.

A slave could have no property. He was not incapable of acquiring property, but his acquisitions belonged to his master.

Slaves were not only employed in the usual domestic offices and in the labours of the field, but also as factors or agents for their masters in the management of business, and as mechanics, artisans, and in every branch of industry. It may easily be conceived that, under these circumstances, especially as they were often entrusted with property to a large amount, there must have arisen a practice of allowing the slave to consider part of his gains as his own; this was his *Peculium*, a term also applicable to such acquisitions of a filiusfamilias as his father allowed him to consider as his own. [PATRIA POTESTAS.] According to strict law, the *peculium* was the property of the master, but according to usage, it was considered to be the property of the slave. Sometimes it was agreed between master and slave,

that the slave should purchase his freedom with his *peculium* when it amounted to a certain sum.

A runaway slave (*fugitivus*) could not lawfully be received or harboured. The master was entitled to pursue him wherever he pleased; and it was the duty of all authorities to give him aid in recovering the slave. It was the object of various laws to check the running away of slaves in every way, and accordingly a runaway slave could not legally be an object of sale. A class of persons called *Fugitivarii* made it their business to recover runaway slaves.

A person was a slave either *jure gentium* or *jure civili*. Under the republic, the chief supply of slaves arose from prisoners taken in war, who were sold by the quaestors with a crown on their heads (*sub corona venire, vendere*), and usually on the spot where they were taken, as the care of a large number of captives was inconvenient. Consequently slave-dealers usually accompanied an army, and frequently after a great battle had been gained many thousands were sold at once, when the slave-dealers obtained them for a mere nothing. The slave trade was also carried on to a great extent, and after the fall of Corinth and Carthage, Delos was the chief mart for this traffic. When the Cilician pirates had possession of the Mediterranean as many as 10,000 slaves are said to have been imported and sold there in one day. A large number came from Thrace and the countries in the north of Europe, but the chief supply was from Africa, and more especially Asia, whence we frequently read of Phrygians, Lycians, Cappadocians, &c. as slaves. The trade of slave-dealers (*mangones*) was considered disreputable; but it was very lucrative, and great fortunes were frequently realised from it.

Slaves were usually sold by auction at Rome. They were placed either on a raised stone (hence *de lapide emtus*), or a raised platform (*catasta*), so that every one might see and handle them, even if they did not wish to purchase them. Purchasers usually took care to have them stripped naked, for slave-dealers had recourse to as many tricks to conceal personal defects as the horse-jockeys of modern times: sometimes purchasers called in the advice of medical men. Newly imported slaves had their feet whitened with chalk, and those that came from the East had their ears bored, which we know was a sign of slavery among many eastern nations. The slave-market, like all other markets, was under the jurisdiction of the aediles, who made many regulations by edicts respecting the sale of slaves. The character of the slave was set

forth in a scroll (*titulus*) hanging around his neck, which was a warranty to the purchaser: the vender was bound to announce fairly all his defects, and if he gave a false account had to take him back within six months from the time of his sale, or make up to the purchaser what the latter had lost through obtaining an inferior kind of slave to what had been warranted. The chief points which the vender had to warrant, was the health of the slave, especially freedom from epilepsy, and that he had not a tendency to thievery, running away, or committing suicide. Slaves sold without any warranty wore at the time of sale a cap (*pileus*) upon their head. Slaves newly imported were generally preferred for common work: those who had served long were considered artful (*veteratores*); and the pertness and impudence of those born in their master's house, called *vernae*, were proverbial.

The value of slaves depended of course upon their qualifications; but under the empire the increase of luxury and the corruption of morals led purchasers to pay immense sums for beautiful slaves, or such as ministered to the caprice or whim of the purchaser. Eunuchs always fetched a very high price, and Martial speaks of beautiful boys who sold for as much as 100,000 or 200,000 sesterces each (885l. 8s. 4d. and 1770l. 16s. 8d.). Slaves who possessed a knowledge of any art which might bring in profit to their owners, also sold for a large sum. Thus literary men and doctors frequently fetched a high price, and also slaves fitted for the stage.

Slaves were divided into many various classes: the first division was into public or private. The former belonged to the state and public bodies, and their condition was preferable to that of the common slaves. They were less liable to be sold, and under less control than ordinary slaves: they also possessed the privilege of the testamenti factio to the amount of one half of their property, which shows that they were regarded in a different light from other slaves. Public slaves were employed to take care of the public buildings, and to attend upon magistrates and priests.

A body of slaves belonging to one person was called *familia*, but two were not considered sufficient to constitute a *familia*. Private slaves were divided into urban (*familia urbana*) and rustic (*familia rustica*); but the name of urban was given to those slaves who served in the villa or country residence as well as in the town house; so that the words urban and rustic rather characterized the nature of their occupations than the place where they served. Slaves were also ar-

ranged in certain classes, which held a higher or a lower rank according to the nature of their occupation. These classes are, *ordinarii*, *vulgares*, and *mediastini*.

Ordinarii seems to have been those slaves who had the superintendence of certain parts of the housekeeping. They were always chosen from those who had the confidence of their master, and they generally had certain slaves under them. To this class the *actores*, *procuratores*, and *dispensatores* belong, who occur in the *familia rustica* as well as the *familia urbana*, but in the former are almost the same as the *villici*. They were stewards or bailiffs. To the same class also belong the slaves who had the charge of the different stores, and who correspond to our housekeepers and butlers: they are called *cellarii*, *promi*, *condi*, *procuratores peni*, &c.

Vulgares included the great body of slaves in a house who had to attend to any particular duty in the house, and to minister to the domestic wants of their master. As there were distinct slaves or a distinct slave for almost every department of household economy, as bakers (*pistores*), cooks (*coqui*), confectioners (*dulciarii*), picklers (*samentarii*), &c. it is unnecessary to mention these more particularly. This class also included the porters (*ostiarii*), the bed-chamber slaves (*cubicularii*), the litter-bearers (*lecticarii*), and all personal attendants of any kind.

Mediastini, the name given to slaves used for any common purpose, and was chiefly applied to certain slaves belonging to the *familia rustica*.

The treatment of slaves of course varied greatly, according to the disposition of their masters, but they were upon the whole, as has been already remarked, treated with greater severity and cruelty than among the Athenians. Originally the master could use the slave as he pleased: under the republic the law does not seem to have protected the person or life of the slave at all, but the cruelty of masters was to some extent restrained under the empire by various enactments. In early times, when the number of slaves was small, they were treated with more indulgence, and more like members of the family: they joined their masters in offering up prayers and thanksgivings to the gods, and partook of their meals in common with their masters, though not at the same table with them, but upon benches (*subsellia*) placed at the foot of the lectus. But with the increase of numbers and of luxury among masters, the ancient simplicity of manners was changed: a certain quantity of food was allowed them (*dimensum* or *demensum*), which was

granted them either monthly (*menstruum*), or daily (*diarium*). Their chief food was the corn, called *far*, of which either four or five modii were granted them a month, or one Roman pound (*libra*) a day. They also obtained an allowance of salt and oil: Cato allowed his slaves a sextarius of oil a month and a modius of salt a year. They also got a small quantity of wine, with an additional allowance on the Saturnalia and Compitalia, and sometimes fruit, but seldom vegetables. Butcher's meat seems to have been hardly ever given them.

Under the republic they were not allowed to serve in the army, though after the battle of Cannæ, when the state was in imminent danger, 8000 slaves were purchased by the state for the army, and subsequently manumitted on account of their bravery.

The offences of slaves were punished with severity, and frequently with the utmost barbarity. One of the mildest punishments was the removal from the *familia urbana* to the *rustica*, where they were obliged to work in chains or fetters. They were frequently beaten with sticks or scourged with the whip.

Runaway slaves (*fugitivi*) and thieves (*fures*) were branded on the forehead with a mark (*stigma*), whence they are said to be *notati* or *inscripti*. Slaves were also punished by being hung up by their hands with weights suspended to their feet, or by being set to work in the Ergastulum or Pistrinum. [ERGASTULUM.] The carrying of the furca was a very common mode of punishment. [FURCA.] The toilet of the Roman ladies was a dreadful ordeal to the female slaves, who were often barbarously punished by their mistresses for the slightest mistake in the arrangement of the hair or a part of the dress.

Masters might work their slaves as many hours in the day as they pleased, but they usually allowed them holidays on the public festivals. At the festival of Saturnus in particular, special indulgences were granted to all slaves, of which an account is given under SATURNALIA.

There was no distinctive dress for slaves. It was once proposed in the senate to give slaves a distinctive costume, but it was rejected, since it was considered dangerous to show them their number. Male slaves were not allowed to wear the toga or bulla, nor females the stola, but otherwise they were dressed nearly in the same way as poor people, in clothes of a dark colour (*pullati*) and slippers (*crepidæ*).

The rights of burial, however, were not denied to slaves, for, as the Romans regarded slavery as an institution of society, death was

considered to put an end to the distinction between slaves and freemen. Slaves were sometimes even buried with their masters, and we find funeral inscriptions addressed to the Dii Manes of slaves (*Dis Manibus*).

SESCUNX. [As.]

SESTERTIUS, a Roman coin, which properly belonged to the silver coinage, in which it was one-fourth of the denarius, and therefore equal to $2\frac{1}{2}$ asses. Hence the name, which is an abbreviation of *semis tertius* (sc. *nummus*), the Roman mode of expressing $2\frac{1}{2}$. The word *nummus* is often found expressed with *sestertius*, and often it stands alone, meaning *sestertius*.

Hence the symbol HS or IIS, which is used to designate the sestertius. It stands either for L L S (*Libra Libra et Semis*), or for I I S, the two I's merely forming the numeral two (sc. *asses* or *librae*), and the whole being in either case equivalent to *dupondius et semis*.

When the as was reduced to half an ounce, and the number of asses in the denarius was made sixteen instead of ten [As, DENARIUS], the sestertius was still $\frac{1}{4}$ of the denarius, and therefore contained no longer $2\frac{1}{2}$, but 4 asses. The old reckoning of 10 asses to the denarius was kept, however, in paying the troops. After this change the sestertius was coined in brass as well as in silver; the metal used for it was that called *aurichalcum*, which was much finer than the common *aes*, of which the asses were made.

The sum of 1000 *sestertii* was called *sestertium*. This was also denoted by the symbol H S, the obvious explanation of which is "IIS ($2\frac{1}{2}$ millia)." The *sestertium* was always a sum of money, never a coin; the coin used in the payment of large sums was the denarius.

According to the value we have assigned to the DENARIUS, up to the time of Augustus, we have

	£	s.	d.	farth.
the sestertius =	0	0	2	5
the sestertium =	8	17	1	
after the reign of Augustus				
the sestertius =	0	0	1	3 5
the sestertium =	7	16	3	

The sestertius was the denomination of money almost always used in reckoning considerable amounts. There are a very few examples of the use of the denarius for this purpose. The mode of reckoning was as follows:—

Sestertius = *sestertius nummus* = *nummus*.

Sums below 1000 *sestertii* were expressed by the numeral adjectives joined with either of these forms.

The sum of 1000 *sestertii* = *mille sestertii* =

M *sestertium* (for *sestertiorum*) = M *nummi* = M *nummum* (for *nummorum*) = M *sestertii nummi* = M *sestertium nummum* = *sestertium*. These forms are used with the numeral adjectives below 1000; sometimes *millia* is used instead of *sestertia*: sometimes both words are omitted: sometimes *nummum* or *sestertium* is added. For example, 600,000 *sestertii* = *sescenta sestertia* = *sescenta millia* = *sescenta* = *sescenta sestertia nummum*.

For sums of a thousand *sestertia* (i. e. a million *sestertii*) and upwards, the numeral adverbs in *ies* (*decies*, *undecies*, *vicies*, &c.) are used, with which the words *centena millia* (a hundred thousand) must be understood. With these adverbs the neuter singular *sestertium* is joined in the case required by the construction. Thus, *decies sestertium* = *decies centena millia sestertium* = *ten times a hundred thousand sestertii* = 1,000,000 *sestertii* = 1000 *sestertia millies* H S = *millies centena millia sestertium* = a thousand times one hundred thousand *sestertii* = 100,000,000 *sestertii* = 100,000 *sestertia*.

When the numbers are written in cypher, it is often difficult to know whether *sestertii* or *sestertia* are meant. A distinction is sometimes made by a line placed over the numeral when *sestertia* are intended, or in other words, when the numeral is an adverb in *ies*. Thus

HS. M. C. = 1100 *sestertii*, but

HS. M. C. = HS *millies centies*
= 110,000 *sestertia* =
110,000,000 *sestertii*.

Sesterce is sometimes used as an English word. If so, it ought to be used only as the translation of *sestertius*, never of *sestertium*.

SEVIR. [EQUITES, p. 140.]

SEX SUFFRAGIA. [EQUITES, p. 137.]

SEXTANS. [As.]

SEXTARIUS, a Roman dry and liquid measure. It was one-sixth of the congius, and hence its name. It was divided, in the same manner as the As, into parts named *uncia*, *sextans*, *quadrans*, *triens*, *quincunx*, *semissis*, &c. The *uncia*, or twelfth part of the sextarius, was the CYATHUS; its *sextans* was therefore two cyathi, its *quadrans* three, its *triens* four, its *quincunx* five, &c.

	Sextarii.	Galls.	Pints.
Culeus, containing	960	118	7.546
Amphora "	48	5	7.577
Urna "	24	2	7.788
Congius "	6	"	5.9471
Sextarius "	1	"	.9911
Hemina "	$\frac{1}{2}$	"	.4955
Quartarius "	$\frac{1}{4}$	"	.2477
Acetabulum "	$\frac{1}{8}$	"	.1238
Cyathus "	$\frac{1}{12}$	"	.0825
Ligula "	$\frac{1}{48}$	"	.0206

The preceding table exhibits the principal Roman liquid measures, with their contents in the English imperial measure. The dry measures, which are nearly the same, are given under MODIUS.

SHIELDS. [CLYPEUS; PARMA; PELTA; SCUTUM.]

SHIPS. [NAVIS.]

SHOES. [CALCEUS.]

SIBYLLINI LIBRI. These books are said to have been obtained in the reign of Tarquinius Priscus, or according to other accounts in that of Tarquinius Superbus, when a Sibyl (Σιβυλλᾶ), or prophetic woman, presented herself before the king, and offered nine books for sale. Upon the king refusing to purchase them, she went and burnt three, and then returned and demanded the same price for the remaining six as she had done for the nine. The king again refused to purchase them, whereupon she burnt three more, and demanded the same sum for the remaining three as she had done at first for the nine: the king's curiosity now became excited, so that he purchased the books, and then the Sibyl vanished. These books were probably written in Greek, as the later ones undoubtedly were. They were kept in a stone chest under ground in the temple of Jupiter Capitolinus, under the custody of certain officers, at first only two in number, but afterwards increased successively to ten and fifteen, of whom an account is given under DECENVIRI. The public were not allowed to inspect the books, and they were only consulted by the officers, who had the charge of them, at the special command of the senate. They were not consulted, as the Greek oracles were, for the purpose of getting light concerning future events; but to learn what worship was required by the gods, when they had manifested their wrath by national calamities or prodigies. Accordingly we find that the instruction they give is in the same spirit; prescribing what honour was to be paid to the deities already recognized, or what new ones were to be imported from abroad.

When the temple of Jupiter Capitolinus was burnt in B. C. 82, the Sibylline books perished in the fire; and in order to restore them, ambassadors were sent to various towns in Italy, Greece, and Asia Minor, to make fresh collections, which on the rebuilding of the temple were deposited in the same place that the former had occupied.

The Sibylline books were also called *Fata Sibyllina*, and *Libri Fatales*. Along with the Sibylline books were preserved, under the guard of the same officers, the books of the two prophetic brothers, the Marcii, the Etrus-

can prophecies of the nymph Bygoe, and those of Albuna or Albunea of Tibur. Those of the Marcii, which had not been placed there at the time of the battle of Cannæ, were written in Latin.

SICA, *dim.* **SICILA**, whence the English *sickle*, a curved dagger, adapted by its form to be concealed under the clothes, and therefore carried by robbers and murderers. *Sica* may be translated a *scimitar*, to distinguish it from **Pugio**, which denoted a dagger of the common kind. *Sicarius*, though properly meaning one who murdered with the sica, was applied to murderers in general. Hence the forms *de sicariis* and *inter sicarios* were used in the criminal courts in reference to murder. Thus *judicium inter sicarios*, "a trial for murder;" *defendere inter sicarios*, "to defend against a charge of murder."

SIGILLARIA. [SATURNALIA.]

SIGNA MILITARIA (σημεία, σημαίαι), military ensigns or standards. The most ancient standard employed by the Romans is said to have been a handful of straw fixed to the top of a spear or pole. Hence the company of soldiers belonging to it was called *Manipulus*. The bundle of hay or fern was soon succeeded by the figures of animals, viz. the eagle, the wolf, the minotaur, the horse, and the boar. These appear to have corresponded to the five divisions of the Roman army as shown on p. 146. The eagle (*aquila*) was carried by the *aquilifer* in the midst of the *hastati*, and we may suppose the wolf to have been carried among the *principes*, and so on. In the second consulship of Marius, B. C. 104, the four quadrupeds were entirely laid aside as standards, the eagle being alone retained. It was made of silver or bronze, and with expanded wings, but was probably of a small size, since a standard-bearer (*signifer*) under Julius Caesar is said in circumstances of danger to have wrenched the eagle from its staff, and concealed it in the folds of his girdle.

Under the later emperors the eagle was carried, as it had been for many centuries, with the legion, a legion being on that account sometimes called *aquila*, and at the same time each cohort had for its own ensign the serpent or dragon (*draco*, δράκων), which was woven on a square piece of cloth, elevated on a gilt staff, to which a cross-bar was adapted for the purpose, and carried by the *draconarius*.

Another figure used in the standards was a ball (*pila*), supposed to have been emblematic of the dominion of Rome over the world: and for the same reason a bronze figure of Victory was sometimes fixed at the top of the staff. (See the woodcut.) Under the eagle or other emblem was often placed a head of the reign-

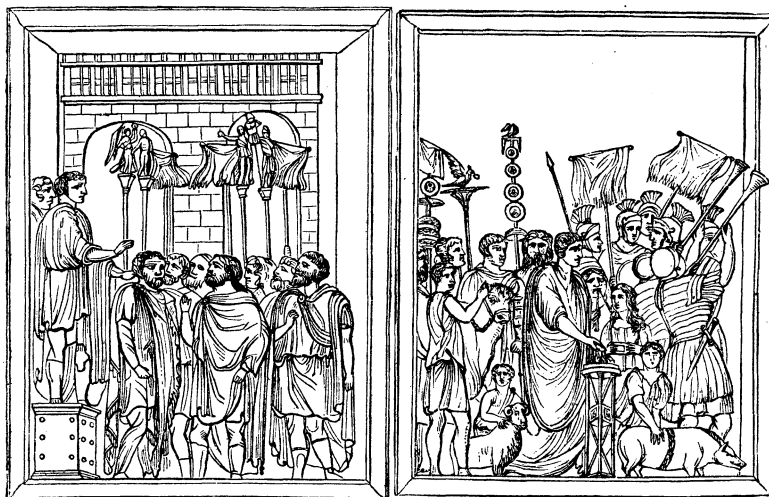
ing emperor, which was to the army the object of idolatrous adoration.

The minor divisions of a cohort, called *centuries*, had also each an ensign, inscribed with the number both of the cohort and of the century. By this provision every soldier was enabled with the greatest ease to take his place.

The standard of the cavalry, properly called

vezillum, was a square piece of cloth expanded upon a cross in the manner already indicated, and perhaps surmounted by some figure.

The first cut represents Trajan giving a king to the Parthians: seven standards are held by the soldiers. The second, containing five standards, represents the performance of the sacrifice called *suovetaurilia*.



Signa Militaria, Military Standards.

The imperial standard from the time of Constantine was called *labarum*; on it a figure or emblem of Christ was woven in gold upon purple cloth, and this was substituted for the head of the emperor.

Since the movements of a body of troops and of every portion of it were regulated by the standards, all the evolutions, acts, and incidents of the Roman army were expressed by phrases derived from this circumstance. Thus *signa inferre* meant to advance, *referre* to retreat, and *convertere* to face about; *efferre*, or *castris vellere*, to march out of the camp; *ad signa convenire*, to re-assemble. Notwithstanding some obscurity in the use of terms, it appears that, whilst the standard of the legion was properly called *aquila*, those of the cohorts were in a special sense of the term called *signa*, their bearers being *signiferi*, and that those of the manipuli or smaller divisions

of the cohort were denominated *vezilla*, their bearers being *vezillarii*.

In time of peace the standards were kept in the *ÆRARIIUM*, under the care of the *QUÆSTOR*.

SILICERNIUM. [FUNUS, p. 163.]

SILK. [SERICUM.]

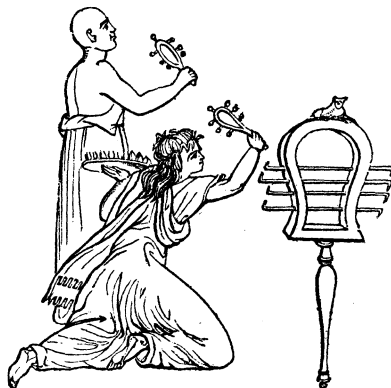
SILVER. [ARGENTUM.]

SIPARIUM, a piece of tapestry stretched on a frame, which rose before the stage of the theatre, and consequently answered the purpose of the drop-scene with us, although, contrary to our practice, it was depressed when the play began, so as to go below the level of the stage (*aulaea premuntur*), and was raised again when the performance was concluded (*tolluntur*). It appears that human figures were represented upon it, whose feet seemed to rest upon the stage when this screen was drawn up. These figures were

sometimes those of Britons woven in the canvass, and raising their arms in the attitude of lifting up a purple curtain, so as to be introduced in the same manner as Atlantes, Persae, and Caryatides. [CARYATIDES.]

In a more general sense, *siparium* denoted any piece of cloth or canvass stretched upon a frame.

SISTRUM (*σειστρον*), a mystical instrument of music, used by the ancient Egyptians in their ceremonies, and especially in the worship of Isis. It was held in the right hand (see cut), and shaken, from which circumstance it derived its name.



Sistra.

The introduction of the worship of Isis into Italy shortly before the commencement of the Christian aera made the Romans familiar with this instrument.

SITELLA. [SITULA.]

SITOPHYLACES (*σιτοφύλακες*), a board of officers, chosen by lot, at Athens. They were at first three, afterwards increased to fifteen, of whom ten were for the city, five for the Peirææus. Their business was partly to watch the arrival of the corn ships, take account of the quantity imported, and see that the import laws were duly observed; partly to watch the sales of corn in the market, and take care that the prices were fair and reasonable, and none but legal weights and measures used by the factors; in which respect their duties were much the same as those of the Agoranomi and Metronomi with regard to other saleable articles.

SITULA, *dim.* **SITELLA** (*ὑδρία*), was probably a bucket or pail for drawing and carrying water, but was more usually applied

to the vessel from which lots were drawn. The diminutive *sitella*, however, was more commonly used in this signification. It appears that the vessel was filled with water (as among the Greeks, whence the word *ὑδρία*), and that the lots (*sortes*) were made of wood; and as, though increasing in size below, it had a narrow neck, only one lot could come to the top of the water at the same time, when it was shaken. The vessel used for drawing lots was also called *urna* or *orca* as well as *Situla* or *Sitella*.

It is important to understand the difference in meaning, between *Sitella* and *Cista*, in their use in the comitia and courts of justice, since they have been frequently confounded. The *Sitella* was the urn, from which the names of the tribes or centuries were drawn out by lot, so that each might have its proper place in voting, and the *Cista* was the ballot-box into which the tabellæ were cast in voting. The *Cista* seems to have been made of wicker or similar work.



Cista.



Sitella.

SLAVES. [SERVUS.]

SLING, SLINGERS. [FUNDA.]

SOCCUS, *dim.* **SOCCULUS**, was nearly if not altogether equivalent in meaning to **CREPIDA**, and denoted a slipper or low shoe, which did not fit closely, and was not fastened by any tie.

The **Soccus** was worn by comic actors, and was in this respect opposed to the Co-



Socci, Slippers, worn by a Minus or Buffoon.

THURNUS. The preceding cut represents a buffoon [MIMUS], who is dancing in slippers.

SOCII (σύντατοι). In the early times, when Rome formed equal alliances with any of the surrounding nations, these nations were called *Socii*. After the dissolution of the Latin league, when the name *Latini*, or *Nomen Latinum*, was artificially applied to a great number of Italians, only a few of whom were real inhabitants of the old Latin towns, and the majority of whom had been made Latins by the will and the law of Rome, there necessarily arose a difference between these Latins and the Socii, and the expression *Socii Nomen Latinum* is one of the old asyndeta, instead of *Socii et Nomen Latinum*. The Italian allies again must be distinguished from foreign allies. The Italian allies consisted, for the most part, of such nations as had either been conquered by the Romans, or had come under their dominion through other circumstances. When such nations formed an alliance with Rome, they generally retained their own laws; or if they were not allowed this privilege at first, they usually obtained it subsequently. The condition of the Italian allies varied, and many depended upon the manner in which they had come under the Roman dominion; but in reality they were always dependent upon Rome.

The following are the principal duties which the Italian Socii had to perform towards Rome: they had to send subsidies in troops, money, corn, ships, and other things, whenever Rome demanded them. The number of troops requisite for completing or increasing the Roman armies was decreed every year by the senate, and the consuls fixed the amount which each allied nation had to send, in proportion to its population capable of bearing arms, of which each nation was obliged to draw up accurate lists, called *formulae*. The consul also appointed the place and time at which the troops of the socii, each part under its own leader, had to meet him and his legions. The infantry of the allies in a consular army was usually equal in numbers to that of the Romans; the cavalry was generally three times the number of the Romans: but these numerical proportions were not always observed. The consuls appointed twelve praefects as commanders of the socii, and their power answered to that of the twelve military tribunes in the consular legions. These praefects, who were probably taken from the allies themselves, and not from the Romans, selected a third of the cavalry, and a fifth of the infantry of the socii, who formed a select detachment for extraordinary cases, and who

were called the *extraordinarii*. The remaining body of the socii was then divided into two parts, called the right and the left wing. The infantry of the wings was, as usual, divided into cohorts, and the cavalry into turmae. In some cases also legions were formed of the socii. Pay and clothing were given to the allied troops by the states or towns to which they belonged, and which appointed quaestors or paymasters for this purpose: but Rome furnished them with provisions at the expense of the republic; the infantry received the same as the Roman infantry, but the cavalry only received two-thirds of what was given to the Roman cavalry. In the distribution of the spoil and of conquered lands they frequently received the same share as the Romans. They were never allowed to take up arms of their own accord, and disputes among them were settled by the senate. Notwithstanding all this, the socii fell gradually under the arbitrary rule of the senate and the magistrates of Rome; and after the year B.C. 173, it even became customary for magistrates, when they travelled through Italy, to demand of the authorities of allied towns to pay homage to them, to provide them with a residence, and to furnish them with beasts of burden when they continued their journey. The only way for the allies to obtain any protection against such arbitrary proceedings, was to enter into a kind of clientela with some influential and powerful Roman. Socii who revolted against Rome were frequently punished with the loss of their freedom, or of the honour of serving in the Roman armies. Such punishments however varied according to circumstances.

After the civitas had been granted to all the Italians by the Lex Julia de Civitate (B.C. 90), the relation of the Italian socii to Rome ceased. But Rome had long before this event applied the name Socii to foreign nations also which were allied with Rome, though the meaning of the word in this case differed from that of the Socii Italici. There were two principal kinds of alliances with foreign nations; 1. *foedus aequum*, such as might be concluded either after a war in which neither party had gained a decisive victory, or with a nation with which Rome had never been at war; 2. a *foedus iniquum*, when a foreign nation conquered by the Romans was obliged to form the alliance on any terms proposed by the conquerors. In the latter case the foreign nation was to some extent subject to Rome, and obliged to comply with anything that Rome might demand. But all foreign socii, whether they had an equal or unequal alli-

ance, were obliged to send subsidies in troops when Rome demanded them; these troops, however, did not, like those of the Italian socii, serve in the line, but were employed as light armed soldiers, and were called *milites auxiliares*, *auxilarii*, *auxilia*, or sometimes *auxilia externa*. Towards the end of the republic all the Roman allies, whether they were nations or kings, sank down to the condition of mere subjects or vassals of Rome, whose freedom and independence consisted in nothing but a name. [Compare *FOEDERATAE CIVITATES*.]

SODALITIUM. [*AMBITUS*.]

SOLARIUM. [*HOROLOGIUM*.]

SOLDIERS. [*EXERCITUS*.]

SOLEA was the simplest kind of sandal [*SANDALIUM*], consisting of a sole with little more to fasten it to the foot than a strap across the instep.

SOLIDUS. [*AURUM*.]

SOLITAURILIA. [*SACRIFICIUM*, p. 277; *LUSTRATIO*, p. 206; and wood-cut on p. 296.

SOPHRONISTAE. [*GYMNASIUM*.]

SORTES, lots. It was a frequent practice among the Italian nations to endeavour to ascertain a knowledge of future events by drawing lots (*sortes*): in many of the ancient Italian temples the will of the gods was consulted in this way, as at Praeneste, Caere, &c.

These *sortes* or lots were usually little tablets or counters, made of wood or other materials, and were commonly thrown into a sitella or urn filled with water, as is explained under *SITULA*. The lots were sometimes thrown like dice. The name of *sortes* was in fact given to anything used to determine chances, and was also applied to any verbal response of an oracle. Various things were written upon the lots according to circumstances, as for instance, the names of the persons using them, &c.: it seems to have been a favourite practice in later times to write the verses of illustrious poets upon little tablets, and to draw them out of the urn like other lots, the verses which a person thus obtained being supposed to be applicable to him.

SPEAR. [*HASTA*.]

SPECULARIA. [*DOMUS*, p. 127.]

SPECULATORES, or **EXPLORATOIRES**, were scouts or spies sent before an army, to reconnoitre the ground and observe the movements of the enemy.

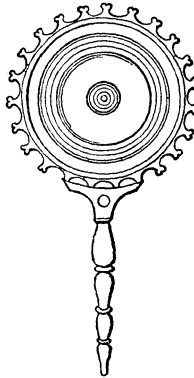
Under the emperors there was a body of troops called *Speculatores*, who formed part of the praetorian cohorts, and had the especial care of the emperor's person.

SPECULUM (*κάτοπτρον*, *ἐσοπτρον*, *ἐνοπτρον*); a mirror, a looking-glass.

The looking-glasses of the ancients were usually made of metal, at first of a composition of tin and copper, but afterwards more frequently of silver.

The ancients seem to have had glass mirrors also like ours, consisting of a glass plate covered at the back with a thin leaf of metal. They were manufactured as early as the time of Pliny at the celebrated glass-houses at Sidon, but they must have been inferior to those of metal, since they never came into general use, and are never mentioned by ancient writers among costly pieces of furniture, whereas metal mirrors frequently are.

Looking-glasses were generally small, and such as could be carried in the hand. Instead of their being fixed so as to be hung against the wall or to stand upon the table or floor, they were generally held by female slaves before their mistresses when dressing. The general form of looking-glasses is shown in the following wood-cut.



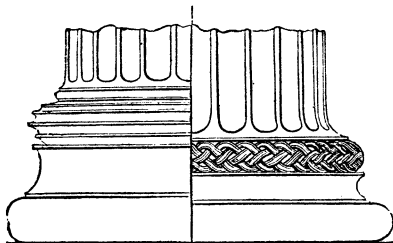
Speculum, Mirror.

SPI' CULUM. [*HASTA*.]

SPINDLE. [*FUSUS*.]

SPIRA (*σπείρα*), the base of a column. In the Tuscan and the Roman Doric the base consisted of a single *torus*, sometimes surmounted by an astragal. In the Ionic and Attic it commonly consisted of two *tori*, divided by a *scotia*, and in the Corinthian of two *tori* divided by two *scotiae*. The upper *torus* was often fluted, and surmounted by an astragal, as in the left-hand figure of the following wood-cut, which shows the form of the base in the Ionic or Attic temple of Panops on the Ilissus. The right-hand figure in the same wood-cut shows the corresponding part in the

temple of Minerva Polias at Athens. In this the upper *torus* is wrought with a platted ornament, perhaps designed to represent a rope or cable.



Spirae, Bases of Columns.

SPO'LIA. Four words are commonly employed to denote booty taken in war, *Praeda*, *Manubiae*, *Exuviae*, *Spolia*. Of these, *Praeda* bears the most comprehensive meaning, being used for plunder of every description. *Manubiae* would seem strictly to signify that portion of the spoil which fell to the share of the commander-in-chief, the proceeds of which were frequently applied to the erection of some public building. *Exuviae* indicates any thing stripped from the person of a foe, while *Spolia*, properly speaking, ought to be confined to armour and weapons, although both words are applied loosely to trophies, such as chariots, standards, beaks of ships, and the like, which might be preserved and displayed. Spoils collected on the battle-field after an engagement, or found in a captured town, were employed to decorate the temples of the gods, triumphal arches, porticoes, and other places of public resort, and sometimes in the hour of extreme need served to arm the people; but those which were gained by individual prowess were considered the undoubted property of the successful combatant, and were exhibited in the most conspicuous part of his dwelling, being hung up in the atrium, suspended from the door-posts, or arranged in the vestibulum, with appropriate inscriptions. They were regarded as peculiarly sacred, so that even if the house was sold the new possessor was not permitted to remove them. But while on the one hand it was unlawful to remove spoils, so it was forbidden to replace or repair them when they had fallen down or become decayed through age; the object of this regulation being doubtless to guard against the frauds of false pretenders.

Of all spoils the most important were the *spolia opima*, a term applied to those only which the commander-in-chief of a Roman

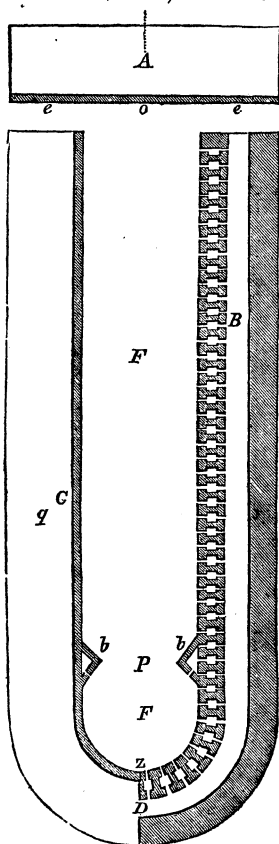
army stripped in a field of battle from the leader of the foe. Plutarch expressly asserts that Roman history up to his own time afforded but three examples of the *spolia opima*. The first were said to have been won by Romulus from Acro, king of the Caeninenses, the second by Aulus Cornelius Cossus from Lar Tolumnius, king of the Veientes, the third by M. Claudius Marcellus from Viridomarus, king of the Gaesatae. In all these cases, in accordance with the original institution, the spoils were dedicated to Jupiter Feretrius.

SPONSA, SPONSUS, SPONSA'LIA. [MATRIMONIUM, p. 213.]

SPORTULA. In the days of Roman freedom, clients were in the habit of testifying respect for their patron by thronging his atrium at an early hour, and escorting him to places of public resort when he went abroad. As an acknowledgment of these courtesies, some of the number were usually invited to partake of the evening meal. After the extinction of liberty, the presence of such guests, who had now lost all political importance, was soon regarded as an irksome restraint, while at the same time many of the noble and wealthy were unwilling to sacrifice the pompous display of a numerous body of retainers. Hence the practice was introduced under the empire of bestowing on each client when he presented himself for his morning visit, a certain portion of food as a substitute and compensation for the occasional invitation to a regular supper (*coena recta*), and this dole, being carried off in a little basket provided for the purpose, received the name of *sportula*. For the sake of convenience it soon became common to give an equivalent in money, the sum established by general usage being a hundred quadrantes. The donation in money, however, did not entirely supersede the *sportula* given in kind, for we find in Juvenal a lively description of a great man's vestibule crowded with dependents, each attended by a slave bearing a portable kitchen to receive the viands and keep them hot while they were carried home. Under the empire great numbers of the lower orders derived their whole sustenance, and the funds for ordinary expenditure, exclusively from this source, while even the highborn did not scruple to increase their incomes by taking advantage of the ostentatious profusion of the rich and vain.

STA'DIUM (ὁ στάδιος and τὸ στάδιον), a Greek measure of length, and the chief one used for itinerary distances. It was equal to 600 Greek or 625 Roman feet, or to 125 Roman paces; and the Roman mile contained 8 stadia. Hence the stadium contained 606

feet 9 inches English. This standard prevailed throughout Greece, under the name of the Olympic stadium, so called because it was the exact length of the stadium or foot-race course at Olympia, measured between the pillars at the two extremities of the course. The first use of the measure seems to be contemporaneous with the formation of the stadium at Olympia when the Olympic games were revived by Iphitus (B. C. 884 or 828). This distance doubled formed the *διὰνλος*, the *ἱππικόν* was 4 stadia, and the *δρόμιος* is



Ephesian Stadium.
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differently stated at 6, 7, 8, 12, 20, and 24 stadia.

A day's journey by land was reckoned at 200 or 180 stadia, or for an army 150 stadia.

The stadium at Olympia was used not only for the foot-race, but also for the other contests which were added to the games from time to time [OLYMPIA], except the horse-races, for which a place was set apart, of a similar form with the stadium, but larger: this was called the Hippodrome (*ἵπποδρόμος*). The name stadium was also given to all other places throughout Greece, wherever games were celebrated.

The stadium was an oblong area terminated at one end by a straight line, at the other by a semicircle having the breadth of the stadium for its base. Round this area were ranges of seats rising above one another in steps. After the Roman conquest of Greece, the form of the stadium was often modified, so as to resemble the amphitheatre, by making both its ends semicircular, and by surrounding it with seats supported by vaulted masonry, as in the Roman amphitheatre. The Ephesian stadium still has such seats round a portion of it. A restoration of this stadium is given in the preceding wood-cut, copied from Krause.

A is the boundary wall at the apse, 77 feet deep; B C the sides, and D the semicircular end, of the same depth as A; FF the area; *bb* pieces of masonry jutting out into the area; *ee* the entrances; from *o* to P is the length of an Olympic stadium.

STANDARDS, MILITARY. [SIGNALS, MILITARY.]

STATER (στατήρ), which means simply a standard (in this case both of weight and more particularly of money), was the name of the principal gold coin of Greece, which was also called *Chrysos* (χρυσός). The stater is said to have been first coined in Lydia by Croesus, and probably did not differ materially from the stater which was afterwards current in Greece, and which was equal in weight to two drachmae, and in value to twenty.

The Macedonian stater, which was the one most in use after the time of Philip and his son Alexander the Great, was of the value of about 1*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*

In calculating the value of the stater in our money the ratio of gold to silver must not be overlooked. Thus the stater of Alexander, which we have valued, according to the present worth of gold, at 1*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, passed for twenty drachmae, which, according to the present value of silver, were worth only 16*s.* 3*d.* But the former is the true worth of the stater, the difference arising from the

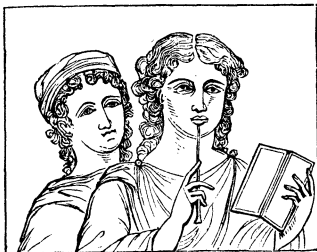
greater value of silver in ancient times than now.

STATIONES. [CASTRA, p. 70.]

STATOR, a public servant, who attended on the Roman magistrates in the provinces. The Statores seem to have derived their name from standing by the side of the magistrate, and thus being at hand to execute all his commands; they appear to have been chiefly employed in carrying letters and messages.

STILUS or STYLUS is in all probability the same word with the Greek *στῦλος*, and conveys the general idea of an object tapering like an architectural column. It signifies,

1. An iron instrument, resembling a pencil in size and shape, used for writing upon waxed tablets. At one end it was sharpened to a point for scratching the characters upon the wax, while the other end, being flat and circular, served to render the surface of the tablets smooth again, and so to obliterate what had been written. Thus, *vertere stilum*



Stylus.

means to erase, and hence to correct. The stylus was also termed *graphium*, and the case in which it was kept *grapharium*.

2. A sharp stake or spike placed in pitfalls before an entrenchment, to embarrass the progress of an attacking enemy.

STIPENDIARIIL. The stipendiariae urbes of the Roman provinces were so denominated, as being subject to the payment of a fixed money-tribute, *stipendium*, in contradistinction to the vectigales, who paid a certain portion as a tenth or twentieth of the produce of their lands, their cattle, or customs. The word *stipendium* was used to signify the tribute paid, as it was originally imposed for and afterwards appropriated to the purpose of furnishing the Roman soldiers with pay. The condition of the urbes stipendiariae is generally thought to have been more honourable than that of the vectigales, but the distinction be-

tween the two terms was not always observed. The word *stipendiarius* is also applied to a person who receives a fixed salary or pay, as a *stipendiarius miles*.

STIPENDIUM, a pension or pay, from *stipem* and *pendo*, because before silver was coined at Rome the copper money in use was paid by weight and not by tale. According to Livy, the practice of giving pay to the Roman soldiers was not introduced till B.C. 405, on the occasion of the taking of Tarracina or Anxur. It is probable, however, that they received pay before this time, but since it was not paid regularly, its first institution was referred to this year. In B.C. 403 a certain amount of pay was assigned to the knights also, or EQUITES, p. 139. This, however, had reference to the citizens who possessed an equestrian fortune, but had no horse (*equus publicus*) assigned to them by the state, for it had always been customary for the knights of the 18 centuries to receive pay out of the common treasury, in the shape of an allowance for the purchase of a horse, and a yearly pension of 2000 asses for its keep. [AES EQUESTRE; AES HORDEARIUM.] In the time of the republic the pay of a legionary soldier amounted to two oboli or 3½ asses; a centurion received double, and an eques or horseman triple. Polybius states, that foot soldiers also received in corn every month an allowance (*demensum*) of ⅓ of an Attic medimnus, or about 2 bushels of wheat: the horsemen 7 medimni of barley and two of wheat. The infantry of the allies received the same allowance as the Roman: the horsemen 1½ medimni of wheat and 5 of barley. But there was this difference, that the allied forces received their allowances as a gratuity; the Roman soldiers, on the contrary, had deducted from their pay the money value of whatever they received, in corn, armour or clothes. There was indeed a law passed by C. Gracchus, which provided that besides their pay the soldiers should receive from the treasury an allowance for clothes; but this law seems either to have been repealed or to have fallen into disuse. The pay was doubled for the legionaries by Julius Caesar before the civil war. He also gave them corn whenever he had the means, without any restrictions. Under Augustus it appears to have been raised to 10 asses a day (three times the original sum). It was still further increased by Domitian. The praetorian cohorts received twice as much as the legionaries.

STOLA, a female dress worn over the tunic; it came as low as the ancles or feet, and was fastened round the body by a girdle, leaving above the breast broad folds. The tunic did not reach much below the knee, but the

essential distinction between the tunic and stola seems to have been, that the latter always had an *instita* or flounce sewed to the bottom and reaching to the instep. Over the stola the palla or pallium was worn [PALLIUM], as we see in the cut annexed.



Stola, Female Dress.

The stola was the characteristic dress of the Roman matrons, as the toga was of the Roman men. Hence the meretrices were not allowed to wear it, but only a dark-coloured toga; and accordingly Horace speaks of the *matrona* in contradistinction to the *togata*. For the same reason, women who had been divorced from their husbands on account of adultery, were not allowed to wear the stola, but only the toga.

STOVES. [DOMUS, p. 127.]

STRATE'GUS (στρατηγός), general. This office and title seem to have been more especially peculiar to the democratic states of ancient Greece: we read of them, for instance, at Athens, Tarentum, Syracuse, Argos, and Thuri; and when the tyrants of the Ionian cities in Asia Minor were deposed by Aristagoras, he established strategi in their room, to act as chief magistrates.

The strategi at Athens were instituted after the remodelling of the constitution by Clisthenes, to discharge the duties which had in former times been performed either by the king or the archon polemarchus. They were ten in number, one for each of the ten tribes, and chosen by the suffrages (χειροτονία) of the people. Before entering on their duties, they were required to submit to a *docimasia*, or examination of their character; and no one was eligible to the office unless he had legitimate children, and was possessed of landed property in Attica. They were, as their name

denotes, entrusted with the command on military expeditions, with the superintendence of all warlike preparations, and with the regulation of all matters in any way connected with the war department of the state. They levied and enlisted the soldiers, either personally, or with the assistance of the taxiarchs. They were entrusted with the collection and management of the property taxes (*εἰσφοραί*) raised for the purpose of war; and also presided over the courts of justice in which any disputes connected with this subject or the trierarchy were decided. They nominated from year to year persons to serve as trierarchs. They had the power of convening extraordinary assemblies of the people in cases of emergency. But their most important trust was the command in war, and it depended upon circumstances to how many of the number it was given. At Marathon all the ten were present, and the chief command came to each of them in turn. The archon polemarchus also was there associated with them, and according to the ancient custom, his vote in a council of war was equal to that of any of the generals. Usually, however, three only were sent out; one of these (πρώτος αὐτός) was considered as the commander-in-chief, but his colleagues had an equal voice in a council of war.

The military chiefs of the Aetolian and Achaean leagues were also called *strategi*. The Achaean *strategi* had the power of convening a general assembly of the league on extraordinary occasions.

Greek writers on Roman affairs give the name of *strategi* to the praetors.

STRENA, a present given on a festive day, and for the sake of good omen. It was chiefly applied to a new year's gift, to a present made on the calends of January. In accordance with a *senatusconsultum*, new year's gifts had to be presented to Augustus in the capitol, even when he was absent.

STRIGIL. [BALNEUM, p. 49.]

STRO'PHIUM (ταῖνία, ταῖνιδιον, ἀπόδεσμος), a girdle or belt worn by women round the breast and over the inner tunic or chemise. It appears to have been usually made of leather.

STUPRUM. [ADULTERIUM.]

SUBSIGNA'NI, privileged soldiers in the time of the empire, who fought under a standard by themselves, and did not form part of the legion. They seem to have been the same as the *sevillarii*.

SUFFRAGIA SEX. [EQUITES, p. 137.]

SUFFRAGIUM, a vote. At Athens the voting in the popular assemblies and the courts of justice was either by show of hands

(*χειροτονία*) or by ballot (*ψήφος*). It is commonly supposed that at Rome the people were always polled in the comitia by word of mouth, till the passing of the *leges tabellariae* about the middle of the second century before Christ, when the ballot by means of *tabellae* was introduced. [TABELLA.] It appears, however, that the popular assemblies voted by ballot, as well as by word of mouth, long before the passing of the *leges tabellariae*, but that instead of using *tabellae*, they employed stones or pebbles (the Greek *ψήφοι*), and that each voter received two stones, one white and the other black, the former to be used in the approval and the latter in the condemnation of a measure. The voting by word of mouth seems to have been adopted in elections and trials, and the use of pebbles to have been confined to the enactment and repeal of laws. The word *suffragium* may possibly be allied with *suffrago*, and have signified originally an ankle-bone or knuckle-bone. On the passing of the *leges tabellariae* the voting with stones or pebbles went out of use. For further particulars with respect to the voting in the comitia, see COMITIA; DIRIBITORES; SITULA; TABELLA; LEGES TABELLARIAE.

Those who had the *jus suffragii*, or the right of voting in the comitia, as well as the capacity of enjoying magistracies, were citizens *optimo jure*.

SUGGESTUS, means in general any elevated place made of materials heaped up (*sub* and *gero*), and is specially applied: 1. To the stage or pulpit from which the orators addressed the people in the comitia. [ROSTRA.] 2. To the elevation from which a general addressed the soldiers. 3. To the elevated seat from which the emperor beheld the public games, also called *cubiculum*. [CUBICULUM.]

SUN-DIAL. [HOROLOGIUM.]

SUOVETAURILIA. [SACRIFICIUM, p. 277; LUSTRATIO, p. 206; and wood-cut on p. 296.]

SUPPARUM. [NAVIS, p. 224.]

SUPPER. [COENA; DEIPNON.]

SUPPLICATIO, a solemn thanksgiving or supplication to the gods, decreed by the senate, when all the temples were opened, and the statues of the gods frequently placed in public upon couches (*pulvinaria*), to which the people offered up their thanksgivings and prayers. [LECTISTERNIUM.] A *supplicatio* was decreed for two different reasons.

1. As a thanksgiving, when a great victory had been gained: it was usually decreed as soon as official intelligence of the victory had been received by a letter from the general in

command. The number of days during which it was to last was proportioned to the importance of the victory. Sometimes it was decreed for only one day, but more commonly for three or five days. A supplication of ten days was first decreed in honour of Pompey at the conclusion of the war with Mithradates, and one of fifteen days after the victory over the Belgae by Caesar, an honour which had never been granted to any one before. Subsequently a *supplicatio* of twenty days was decreed after his conquest of Vercingetorix. A *supplicatio* was usually regarded as a prelude to a triumph, but it was not always followed by one. This honour was conferred upon Cicero on account of his suppression of the conspiracy of Catiline, which had never been decreed to any one before in a civil capacity (*togatus*).

2. A *supplicatio*, a solemn supplication and humiliation, was also decreed in times of public danger and distress, and on account of prodigies, to avert the anger of the gods.

SWORDS. [GLADIUS.]

SYCOPHANTES (*συκοφάντης*). At an early period in Attic history a law was made prohibiting the exportation of figs. Whether it was made in a time of dearth, or through the foolish policy of preserving to the natives the most valuable of their productions, we cannot say. It appears, however, that the law continued in force long after the cause of its enactment, or the general belief of its utility, had ceased to exist; and Attic fig-growers exported their fruit in spite of prohibitions and penalties. To inform against a man for so doing was considered harsh and vexatious; as all people are apt to think that obsolete statutes may be infringed with impunity. Hence the term *συκοφάντειν*, which originally signified to lay an information against another for exporting figs, came to be applied to all ill-natured, malicious, groundless, and vexatious accusations.

Sycophantes in the time of Aristophanes and Demosthenes designated a person of a peculiar class, not capable of being described by any single word in our language, but well understood and appreciated by an Athenian. He had not much in common with our *sycophant*, but was a happy compound of the common barretor, informer, pettefogger, busybody, rogue, liar, and slanderer. The Athenian law permitted any citizen (*τὸν βουλόμενον*) to give information against public offenders, and prosecute them in courts of justice. It was the policy of the legislator to encourage the detection of crime, and a reward (such as half the penalty) was frequently given to the successful accuser. Such a power, with

such a temptation, was likely to be abused, unless checked by the force of public opinion, or the vigilance of the judicial tribunals. Unfortunately, the character of the Athenian democracy and the temper of the judges furnished additional incentives to the informer. Eminent statesmen, orators, generals, magistrates, and all persons of wealth and influence were regarded with jealousy by the people. The more causes came into court, the more fees accrued to the judges, and fines and confiscations enriched the public treasury. The prosecutor therefore in public causes, as well as the plaintiff in civil, was looked on with a more favourable eye than the defendant, and the chances of success made the employment a lucrative one. It was not always necessary to go to trial, or even to commence legal proceedings. The timid defendant was glad to compromise the cause, and the conscious delinquent to avert the threat of a prosecution, by paying a sum of money to his opponent. Thriving informers found it not very difficult to procure witnesses, and the profits were divided between them.

SYMPOSIUM (*συμπόσιον*, *comissatio*, *convivium*), a drinking-party. The *symposium* must be distinguished from the *deipnon* (*δαιπνον*), for though drinking almost always followed a dinner-party, yet the former was regarded as entirely distinct from the latter, was regulated by different customs, and frequently received the addition of many guests, who were not present at the dinner. For the Greeks did not usually drink at their dinner, and it was not till the conclusion of the meal that wine was introduced.

Symposia were very frequent at Athens. Their enjoyment was heightened by agreeable conversation, by the introduction of music and dancing, and by games and amusements of various kinds: sometimes, too, philosophical subjects were discussed at them. The symposia of Plato and Xenophon give us a lively idea of such entertainments at Athens. The name itself shows, that the enjoyment of drinking was the main object of the symposia: wine from the juice of the grape (*οἶνος ἀμπέλινος*) was the only drink partaken of by the Greeks, with the exception of water.

The wine was almost invariably mixed with water, and to drink it unmixed (*ἄκρατον*) was considered a characteristic of barbarians. The mixture was made in a large vessel called the *CRATER*, from which it was conveyed into the drinking-cups.

The guests at a symposium reclined on couches, and were crowned with garlands of

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flowers. A master of the revels (*ἄρχων τῆς πόσεως*, *συμποσιάρχος*, or *βασιλεύς*) was usually chosen to conduct the symposium, whose commands the whole company had to obey, and who regulated the whole order of the entertainment, proposed the amusements, &c. The same practice prevailed among the Romans, and their symposiarch was called *Magister*, or *Rex Convivi*, or the *Arbiter Bibendi*. The choice was generally determined by the throwing of astragali or tali. The proportion in which the wine and water were mixed was fixed by him, and also how much each of the company was to drink, for it was not usually left to the option of each of the company to drink as much or as little as he pleased.

The cups were always carried round from right to left (*ἐπὶ δεξιᾷ*), and the same order was observed in the conversation, and in every thing that took place in the entertainment. The company frequently drank to the health of one another, and each did it especially to the one to whom he handed the same cup.

Respecting the games and amusements by which the symposia were enlivened, it is unnecessary to say much here, as most of them are described in separate articles in this work. Enigmas or riddles (*ἀνίγματα* or *γρίφοι*) were among the most usual and favourite modes of diversion. Each of the company proposed one in turn to his right-hand neighbour; if he solved it, he was rewarded with a crown, a garland, a cake, or something of a similar kind, and sometimes with a kiss; if he failed, he had to drink a cup of unmixed wine, or of wine mixed with salt water, at one draught. The cottabus was also another favourite game at symposia, and was played at in various ways. [COTTABUS.]

Representations of symposia are very common on ancient vases. Two guests usually reclined on each couch (*κλίνη*), as is explained on p. 112, but sometimes there were five persons on one couch, as in the annexed cut.

The guests are represented reclining with their left arms resting on striped pillows. Three of them are holding the small drinking-cup called *calix* by the Romans (*κύλιξ* by the Greeks), suspended by one of the handles to the fore-finger; the fourth holds a *phiale* (*φιάλη*), and the fifth a *phiale* in one hand and a drinking-horn or *rhyton* (*ρύτον*) in the other. In the middle, Comos is beating the tympanum.

A drinking-party among the Romans was sometimes called *convivium*, but the word *comissatio* more nearly corresponds to the Greek symposium. [COMISSATIO.] The Romans, however, usually drank during their dinner

(*coena*), which they frequently prolonged during many hours, in the later times of the republic and under the empire. Their customs

connected with drinking differed little from those of the Greeks, and have been incidentally noticed above.



Symposium.

SYNDICUS (σύνδικος) an advocate, is frequently used as synonymous with the word *synegorus* (συνήγορος), to denote any one who pleads the cause of another, whether in a court of justice or elsewhere, but was peculiarly applied to those orators who were sent by the state to plead the cause of their countrymen before a foreign tribunal. Aeschines, for example, was appointed to plead before the Amphictyonic council on the subject of the Delian temple; but a certain discovery having been made, not very creditable to his patriotism, the court of Areopagus took upon themselves to remove him, and appoint Hyperides in his stead. There were other *syndici*, who acted rather as magistrates or judges than as advocates, though they probably derived their name from the circumstance of their being appointed to protect the interests of the state. These were extraordinary functionaries, created from time to time to exercise a jurisdiction in disputes concerning confiscated property.

SYNTHESIS, a garment frequently worn at dinner, and sometimes also on other occasions. As it was inconvenient to wear the toga at the table, on account of its many folds, it was customary to have dresses especially appropriated to this purpose, called *vestes coenatoriae*, or *coenatoria*, *accubitoria*, or *syntheses*. The synthesis appears to have been a kind of tunic, an *indumentum* rather than an *amicus*. [AMICRUS.] That it was, however, an easy and comfortable kind of dress, as we should

say, seems to be evident from its use at table above mentioned, and also from its being worn by all classes at the *SATURNALIA*, a season of universal relaxation and enjoyment. More than this respecting its form we cannot say; it was usually dyed with some colour, and was not white, like the toga.

SYRINX (σύριγξ), the Pan's pipe, or Pandean pipe, was the appropriate musical instrument of the Arcadian and other Grecian shepherds, and was regarded by them as the invention of Pan, their tutelary god. When the Roman poets had occasion to mention it, they called it *fistula*. It was formed in gen-



Pan with a Syrix.

eral of seven hollow stems of cane or reed, fitted together by means of wax, having been previously cut to the proper lengths, and adjusted so as to form an octave; but sometimes nine were admitted, giving an equal number of notes. A syrinx of eight reeds is represented in p. 235.

SYRMA (σύρμα), which properly means that which is drawn or dragged (from σύρω), is applied to a dress with a train. It was more especially the name of the dress worn by the tragic actors, which had a train to it trailing upon the ground. Hence we find *syрма* used metaphorically for tragedy itself.

SYSSITIA (συσσίτια). The custom of taking the principal meal of the day in public prevailed extensively amongst the Greeks from very early ages, but more particularly in Crete and at Sparta.

The Cretan name for the syssitia was *Andreia* (ἀνδρεία), the singular of which is used to denote the building or public hall where they were given. This title affords of itself a sufficient indication that they were confined to men and youths only. All the adult citizens partook of the public meals amongst the Cretans, and were divided into companies or "messes," called *hetaeriae* (ἑταίριας), or sometimes *andreia*. The syssitia of the Cretans were distinguished by simplicity and temperance. They always *sat* at their tables, even in later times, when the custom of reclining had been introduced at Sparta.

In most of the Cretan cities, the expenses of the syssitia were defrayed out of the revenues of the public lands, and the tribute paid by the perioeci, the money arising from which was applied partly to the service of the gods, and partly to the maintenance of all the citizens, both male and female; so that in this respect there might be no difference between the rich and the poor.

• The Spartan syssitia were in the main so similar to those of Crete, that one was said to be borrowed from the other. They differed from the Cretan in the following respects. The expenses of the tables at Sparta were not defrayed out of the public revenues, but every head of a family was obliged to contribute a certain portion at his own cost and charge: those who were not able to do so were excluded from the public tables. The guests were divided into companies, generally of fifteen persons each, and all vacancies were filled up by ballot, in which unanimous consent was indispensable for election. No persons, not even the kings, were excused from attendance at the public tables, except for some satisfactory reason, as when engaged in a sacrifice, or a chase, in which latter case

the individual was required to send a present to his table. Each person was supplied with a cup of mixed wine, which was filled again when required: but drinking to excess was prohibited at Sparta as well as in Crete. The repast was of a plain and simple character, and the contribution of each member of a mess (*φειδιτης*) was settled by law. The principal dish was the black broth (*μέλας ζωμός*), with pork. Moreover, the entertainment was enlivened by cheerful conversation, though on public matters. Singing also was frequently introduced. The arrangements were under the superintendence of the polemarchs.

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TABELLA, *dim.* of TABULA, a billet or tablet, with which each citizen and judex voted in the comitia and courts of justice. In the comitia, if the business was the passing of a law, each citizen was provided with two tabellae, one inscribed V. R. i. e. *Utis Rogas*, "I vote for the law," the other inscribed A. i. e. *Antiquo*, "I am for the old law." If the business was the election of a magistrate, each citizen was supplied with only one tablet, on which the names of the candidates were written, or the initials of their names; the voter then placed a mark (*punctum*) against the one for whom he voted, whence *puncta* are spoken of in the sense of votes. For further particulars respecting the voting in the comitia, see DIRIBITORES and SITULA.

The judices were provided with three tabellae: one of which was marked with A. i. e. *Absolvo*, "I acquit;" the second with C. i. e. *Condemno*, "I condemn;" and the third with N. L. i. e. *Non Liqueat*, "It is not clear to me." The first of these was called *Tabella absolutoria*, and the second *Tabella damnatoria*, and hence Cicero calls the former *littera salutaris*, and the latter *littera tristis*. [LEGES TABELLARIÆ.]

The annexed cut is taken from a coin, in which a man is represented in the act of placing a tabella, marked with the letter A (i. e. *absolvo*), in the cista.



Tabella, Voting-Tablet.

TABELLA'RIUS, a letter-carrier. As the Romans had no public post, they were obliged to employ special messengers, who were called *Tabellarii*, to convey their letters (*tabellae, literae*), when they had not an opportunity of sending them otherwise.

TABERNA'CULUM. [TEMPLUM.]

TABLES. [MENSA.]

TABL'NUM. [DOMUS, p. 125.]

TABULAE. This word properly means planks or boards, whence it is applied to several objects, as gaming-tables, pictures, but more especially to tablets used for writing. Generally, *tabulae* and *tabellae* signify waxen tablets (*tabulae ceratae*), which were thin pieces of wood, usually of an oblong shape, covered over with wax (*cera*). The wax was written on by means of the *stilus*. These *tabulae* were sometimes made of ivory and citron-wood, but generally of the wood of a more common tree, as the beech, fir, &c. The outer sides of the tablets consisted merely of the wood; it was only the inner sides that were covered over with wax. They were fastened together at the back by means of wires, which answered the purpose of hinges, so that they opened and shut like our books; and to prevent the wax of one tablet rubbing against the wax of the other, there was a raised margin around each, as is clearly seen in the wood-cut on p. 302. There were sometimes two, three, four, five, or even more, tablets fastened together in the above-mentioned manner. Two such tablets were called *diptycha* (*δίπτυχα*), which merely means "twice-folded" (from *πύσσω* "to fold"), whence we have *πτυκτίον*, or with the *τ* omitted, *πτυκτίον*. The Latin word *pugillares*, which is the name frequently given to tablets covered with wax, may perhaps be connected with the same root, though it is usually derived from *pugillus*, because they were small enough to be held in the hand. Three tablets fastened together were called *triptycha*; in the same way we also read of *pentaptycha*, and of *polyptycha* or *multiptices* (*cerae*). The pages of these tablets were frequently called by the name of *cerae* alone; thus we read of *prima cera, altera cera*, "first page," "second page." In tablets containing important legal documents, especially wills, the outer edges were pierced through with holes (*foramina*), through which a triple thread (*linum*) was passed, and upon which a seal was then placed. This was intended to guard against forgery, and if it was not done, such documents were null and void.

Waxen tablets were used among the Romans for almost every species of writing, where great length was not required. Thus

letters were frequently written upon them, which were secured by being fastened together with packthread and sealed with wax.

Legal documents, and especially wills, were almost always written on waxen tablets. Such tablets were also used for accounts, in which a person entered what he received and expended (*tabulae* or *codex accepti et expensi*), whence *novae tabulae* mean an abolition of debts either wholly or in part.

The tablets used in voting in the comitia and the courts of justice were also called *tabulae*, as well as *tabellae*. [TABELLA.]

TABULARIUM, a place where the public records (*tabulae publicae*) were kept. These records were of various kinds, as for instance *senatusconsulta*, *tabulae censoriae*, registers of births, deaths, of the names of those who assumed the toga virilis, &c. There were various *tabularia* at Rome, all of which were in temples; we find mention made of *tabularia* in the temples of the Nymphs, of Lucina, of Juventas, of Libitina, of Ceres, and more especially in that of Saturn, which was also the public treasury.

TAGUS (*ταγός*), a leader or general, was more especially the name of the military leader of the Thessalians. He is sometimes called *king* (*βασιλεύς*). His command was of a military rather than of a civil nature, and he seems only to have been appointed when there was a war or one was apprehended. We do not know the extent of the power which the Tagus possessed constitutionally, nor the time for which he held the office; probably neither was precisely fixed, and depended on the circumstances of the times and the character of the individual.

TALARIA, small wings fixed to the ankles of Mercury, and reckoned among his attributes. In many works of ancient art they are represented growing from his ankles as if they were a part of his bodily frame; but more frequently they are attached to him as a part of his dress, agreeably to the description of the poets; and this is commonly



Talaria.

done by representing him with sandals, which have wings fastened to them on each side over the ankles. But there is a most beautiful bronze statue of this divinity in the museum at Naples, in which the artist, instead of the sole of a sandal, has made the straps unite in a rosette under the middle of the foot, evidently intending, by this elegant device, to represent the messenger of the gods as borne through space without touching the ground. A representation is seen in the preceding cut.

TALA'SSIO. [MATRIMONIUM, p. 211.]

TALENTUM (τάλαντον) meant originally a balance [LIBRA], then the substance weighed, and lastly and commonly, a certain weight, the talent. The Greek system of money, as well as the Roman [AS], was founded on a reference to weight. A certain weight of silver among the Greeks, as of copper among the Romans, was used as a representative of a value, which was originally and generally that of the metal itself. The talent, therefore, and its divisions, are denominations of money, as well as of weight.

The Greek system of weights contained four principal denominations, which, though different in different times and places, and even at the same place for different substances, always bore the same relation to each other. These were the talent (τάλαντον), which was the largest, then the mina (μνᾶ), the drachma (δραχμή), and the obolus (ὀβολός). Their relative values are exhibited in the following table:—

Obol

6	Drachma	
600	100	Mina
36,000	6000	60 Talent.

The multiples and subdivisions of the drachma and obolus are noticed under DRACHMA.

The Attic and Aeginetan were the two standards of money most in use in Greece.

The Attic mina was 4*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.*, and the talent 243*l.* 1*s.* The Aeginetan mina was 5*l.* 14*s.* 7*d.*, and the talent 343*l.* 1*s.* The Euboic talent was of nearly the same weight as the Attic.

A much smaller talent was in use for gold. It was equal to six Attic drachmae, or about $\frac{3}{4}$ oz. and 71 grs. It was called the *gold talent*, or the *Sicilian talent*, from its being much used by the Greeks of Italy and Sicily. This is the talent always meant when the word occurs in Homer. This small talent explains

the use of the term *great talent* (*magnum talentum*), which we find in Latin authors, for the silver Attic talent was *great* in comparison with this. But the use of the word by the Romans is altogether very inexact.

Where talents are mentioned in the classical writers without any specification of the standard, we must generally understand the Attic.

TALUS (ἀστράγαλος), a huckle-bone. The huckle-bones of sheep and goats were used to play with from the earliest times, principally by women and children, occasionally by old men.

To play at this game was sometimes called πενταλίζειν, because five bones or other objects of a similar kind were employed; and this number is retained among ourselves.

The following cut, taken from an ancient painting, represents a woman, who, having thrown the bones upwards into the air, has caught three of them on the back of her hand.



Game of Tali

When the sides of the bone were marked with different values, the game became one of chance. [ALEA; TESSERA.] The two ends were left blank, because the bone could not rest upon either of them on account of its curvature. The four remaining sides were marked with the numbers 1, 3, 4, 6; 1 and 6 being on two opposite sides, and 3 and 4 on the other two opposite sides. The Greek and Latin names of the numbers were as follow:—1. Μονάς, εἷς, κῑων, Χίος; Ion. Οἶνη; Unio, Vulturius, canis: 3. Τρίτης, Ternio; 4. Τετράς, Quaternio; 6. Ἑξάς, ἑξήτης, Κῶος; Senio.

Two persons played together at this game, using four bones, which they threw up into the air, or emptied out of a dice-box, and observing the numbers on the uppermost sides.

The numbers on the four sides of the four bones admitted of thirty-five different combinations. The lowest throw of all was four aces (*voltorios quatuor*). But the value of a throw was not in all cases the sum of the four numbers turned up. The highest in value was that called *Venus*, or *jactus Venerus*, in which the numbers cast up were all different, the sum of them being only fourteen. It was by obtaining this throw that the king of the feast was appointed among the Romans [*Symposium*], and hence it was also called *Basilicus*. Certain other throws were called by particular names, taken from gods, illustrious men and women, and heroes. Thus the throw, consisting of two aces and two trays, making eight, which number, like the *jactus Venerus*, could be obtained only once, was denominated *Stesichorus*.

ΤΑΜΙΑΕ (*ταμίαι*), the treasurers of the temples and the revenue at Athens. The wealthiest of all the temples at Athens was that of Minerva in the Acropolis, the treasures of which were under the guardianship of ten *tamiae*, who were chosen annually by lot from the class of pentacosiomedimni, and afterwards, when the distinction of classes had ceased to exist, from among the wealthiest of Athenian citizens. The treasurers of the other gods were chosen in like manner; but they, about the 90th Olympiad, were all united into one board, while those of Minerva remained distinct. Their treasury, however, was transferred to the same place as that of Minerva, viz., to the opisthodomus of the Parthenon, where were kept not only all the treasures belonging to the temples, but also the state treasure (*δοσα χρήματα*, as contra-distinguished from *τερά*), under the care of the treasurers of Minerva. All the funds of the state were considered as being in a manner consecrated to Minerva, while on the other hand the people reserved to themselves the right of making use of the sacred moneys, as well as the other property of the temples, if the safety of the state should require it. Payments made to the temples were received by the treasurers in the presence of some members of the senate, just as public moneys were by the Apodectae: and then the treasurers became responsible for their safe custody.

The treasurer of the revenue (*ταμίης* or *ἐπιμελητής της κοινῆς προσόδου*), was a more important personage than those last mentioned. He was not a mere keeper of moneys, like them, nor a mere receiver, like the apodectae; but a general paymaster, who received through the apodectae all money which was to be disbursed for the purposes of the administration except the property-taxes,

which were paid into the war-office, and the tribute from the allies, which was paid to the hellenotamiae [*HELLENOTAMIAE*], and then distributed it in such manner as he was required to do by the law: the surplus (if any) he paid into the war-office or the theoric fund. As this person knew all the channels in which the public money had to flow, and exercised a general superintendence over the expenditure, he was competent to give advice to the people upon financial measures, with a view to improve the revenue, introduce economy, and prevent abuses: he is sometimes called *ταμίης τῆς διοικήσεως*, or *ὁ ἐπὶ τῆς διοικήσεως*, and may be regarded as a sort of minister of finance. He was elected by vote (*χειροτονία*), and held his office for four years, but was capable of being reelected. A law, however, was passed during the administration of Lycurgus, the orator, prohibiting reelection; so that Lycurgus, who is reported to have continued in office for twelve years, must have held it for the last eight years under fictitious names. The power of this officer was by no means free from control; inasmuch as any individual was at liberty to propose financial measures, or institute criminal proceedings for malversation or waste of the public funds: and there was an *ἀντιγραφεὺς τῆς διοικήσεως* appointed to check the accounts of his superior. Anciently there were persons called *Poristae* (*πορίσται*), who appear to have assisted the tamiae in some part of their duties.

The money disbursed by the treasurer of the revenue was sometimes paid directly to the various persons in the employ of the government, sometimes through subordinate pay offices. Many public functionaries had their own paymasters, who were dependent on the treasurer of the revenue, receiving their funds from him, and then distributing them in their respective departments. Such were the *τριηροποιοί*, *τευχιοποιοί*, *δόδοποιοί*, *ταφροποιοί*, *ἐπιμεληταὶ νεωρίων*, who received through their own tamiae such sums as they required from time to time for the prosecution of their works. The payment of the judicial fees was made by the *Colacretae* (*κολακρέται*), which, and the providing for the meals in the Prytaneum, were the only duties that remained to them after the establishment of the apodectae by Cleisthenes. The tamiae of the sacred vessels (*τῆς Παράλου* and *τῆς Σαλαμινίας*) acted not only as treasurers, but as trierarchs, the expenses (amounting for the two ships together to about sixteen talents) being provided by the state. They were elected by vote. Other trierarchs had their own private tamiae.

The war fund at Athens (independently of the tribute) was provided from two sources, first, the property-tax (*εἰσφορά*), and secondly, the surplus of the yearly revenue, which remained after defraying the expenses of the civil administration. Of the ten strategi, who were annually elected to preside over the war department, one was called *στρατηγὸς ὁ ἐπὶ τῆς διοικήσεως*, to whom the management of the war fund was entrusted. He had under him a treasurer, called the *ταμίης τῶν στρατιωτικῶν*, who gave out the pay of the troops, and defrayed all other expenses incident to the service.

So much of the surplus revenue as was not required for the purposes of war, was to be paid by the treasurer of the revenue into the theoric fund; of which, after the archonship of Euclides, special managers were created. [THEORICA.]

Lastly, we have to notice the treasurers of the demi (*δῆμων ταμίαι*), and those of the tribes (*φυλῶν ταμίαι*), who had the care of the funds belonging to their respective communities, and performed duties analogous to those of the state treasurers. The demi, as well as the tribes, had their common lands, which were usually let to farm. The rents of these formed the principal part of their revenue.

TAXES, Athenian [TELOS], Roman [VECTIGALIA; TRIBUTUM].

TAXIARCHI (*ταξίαρχοι*), military officers at Athens, next in rank to the strategi. They were ten in number, like the strategi, one for each tribe, and were elected by vote (*χειροτονία*). In war each commanded the infantry of his own tribe, and they were frequently called to assist the strategi with their advice at the war-council. In peace they assisted the strategi in levying and enlisting soldiers, and seemed to have also assisted the strategi in the discharge of many of their other duties.

The taxiarchs were so called from their commanding *taxis* (*τάξεις*), which were the principal divisions of the hoplites in the Athenian army. Each tribe (*φυλή*) formed a *taxis*. As there were ten tribes, there were consequently in a complete Athenian army ten *taxis*, but the number of men contained in each would of course vary according to the importance of the war. Among the other Greeks, the *taxis* was the name of a much smaller division of troops. The *lochus* (*λόχος*) among the Athenians was a subdivision of the *taxis*, and the *lochagi* (*λοχαγοί*) were probably appointed by the taxiarchs.

TEICHOPOIL (*τειχοποιοί*), magistrates at Athens, whose business it was to build and keep in repair the public walls. They

appear to have been elected by vote (*χειροτονία*), one from each tribe, and probably for a year. Funds were put at their disposal, for which they had their treasurer (*ταμίης*) dependent on the treasurer of the revenue. They were liable to render an account (*εἰθύνη*) of their management of these funds, and also of their general conduct, like other magistrates. This office has been invested with peculiar interest in modern times, on account of its having been held by Demosthenes, and its having given occasion to the famous prosecution of Ctesiphon, who proposed that Demosthenes should receive the honour of a crown before he had rendered his account according to law.

TELA (*ἱστός*), a loom. Although weaving was among the Greeks and Romans a distinct trade, carried on by a separate class of persons (*ὀφάνται*, *textores* and *textrices*, *linteones*), yet every considerable domestic establishment, especially in the country, contained a loom, together with the whole apparatus necessary for the working of wool (*lanificium*, *ταλασία*, *ταλασιουργία*). [CALATHUS.] These occupations were all supposed to be carried on under the protection of Athena or Minerva, specially denominated *Ergane* (*Ἑργάνη*). When the farm or the palace was sufficiently large to admit of it, a portion of it called the *histon* (*ἱστῶν*) or *textivum*, was devoted to this purpose. The work was there principally carried on by female slaves (*quassillariae*), under the superintendence of the mistress of the house.

Every thing woven consists of two essential parts, the warp and the woof, called in Latin *stamen* and *subtegmen*, *subtemen*, or *trama*; in Greek *στήμων* and *κροκή*. The warp was called *stamen* in Latin (from *stare*) on account of its erect posture in the loom. The corresponding Greek term *στήμων*, and likewise *ἱστός* have evidently the same derivation. For the same reason, the very first operation in weaving was to set up the loom (*ἱστὸν στήσασθαι*); and the web or cloth, be-

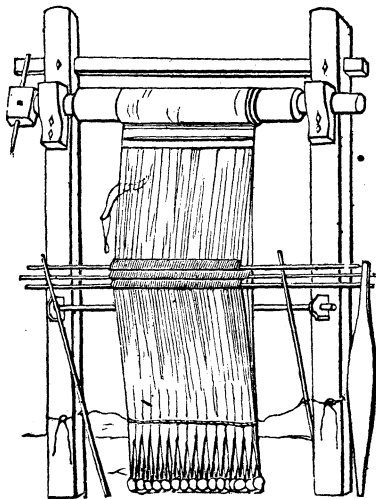


Tela, Loom.

fore it was cut down or "descended" from the loom, was called *vestis pendens* or *pendula tela*, because it hung from the transverse beam, or *jugum*. These particulars are all clearly exhibited in the picture of Circe's loom given in the foregoing cut.

We observe in the preceding wood-cut, about the middle of the apparatus, a transverse rod passing through the warp. A straight cane was well adapted to be so used, and its application is clearly expressed by Ovid in the words *stamen secernit arundo*. In plain weaving it was inserted between the threads of the warp so as to divide them into two portions, the threads on one side of the rod alternating with those on the other side throughout the whole breadth of the warp.

One of the most ancient forms of the loom with which we are acquainted, and which probably differed little from the one used by the Greeks and Romans, is represented in the annexed cut.



Tela, Loom.

We observe underneath the jugum a roller, which is turned by a handle, and on which the web is wound as the work advances. The threads of the warp, besides being separated by a transverse rod or plank, are divided into thirty or forty parcels, to each of which a stone is suspended for the purpose of keeping the warp in a perpendicular position, and allowing the necessary play to the strokes

of the spatha, which is drawn at the side of the loom.

Whilst the comparatively coarse, strong, and much-twisted thread designed for the warp was thus arranged in parallel lines, the woof remained upon the spindle [Fusus], forming a *spool*, *bobbin*, or *pen* (πύλη). This was either conveyed through the warp without any additional contrivance, or it was made to revolve in a shuttle (*radius*). This was made of box brought from the shores of the Euxine, and was pointed at its extremities, that it might easily force its way through the warp. All that is effected by the shuttle is the conveyance of the woof across the warp. To keep every thread of the woof in its proper place, it is necessary that the threads of the warp should be decussated. This was done by the leashes, called in Latin *licia*, in Greek *μίτοι*. By a leash we are to understand a thread having at one end a loop, through which a thread of the warp was passed, the other end being fastened to a straight rod called *liciatorium*, and in Greek *κανών*. The warp, having been divided by the arundo, as already mentioned, into two sets of threads, all those of the same set were passed through the loops of the corresponding set of leashes, and all these leashes were fastened at their other end to the same wooden rod. At least one set of leashes was necessary to decussate the warp, even in the plainest and simplest weaving. The number of sets was increased according to the complexity of the pattern, which was called *bilia* or *trilia*, *δίμιτος*, *τρίμιτος*, or *πολύμιτος*, according as the number was two, three, or more.

The process of annexing the leashes to the warp was called *ordiri telam*, also *licia telae addere*, or *adnectere*. It occupied two women at the same time, one of whom took in regular succession each separate thread of the warp, and handed it over to the other; the other, as she received each thread, passed it through the loop in proper order.

Supposing the warp to have been thus adjusted, and the pen or the shuttle to have been carried through it, it was then decussated by drawing forwards the proper rod, so as to carry one set of the threads of the warp across the rest, after which the woof was shot back again, and by the continual repetition of this process the warp and woof were interlaced. In the second cut we observe two staves, which are occasionally used to fix the rods in such a position as is most convenient to assist the weaver in drawing her woof across her warp. After the woof had been conveyed by the shuttle through the warp, it was driven sometimes downwards, as is represented in

the first wood-cut, but more commonly upwards, as in the second. Two different instruments were used in this part of the process. The simplest, and probably the most ancient, was in the form of a large wooden sword (*spatha*, *σπάθη*). This instrument is represented in the second cut.

The *spatha* was, however, in a great degree superseded by the comb (*pecten*, *κερκίς*), the teeth of which were inserted between the threads of the warp, and thus made by a forcible impulse to drive the threads of the woof close together.

The lyre, the favourite musical instrument of the Greeks, was only known to the Romans as a foreign invention. Hence they appear to have described its parts by a comparison with the loom, with which they were familiar. The terms *jugum* and *stamina* were transferred by an obvious resemblance from the latter to the former object; and, although they adopted into their own language the Greek word *plectrum*, they used the Latin *pecten* to denote the same thing; not because the instrument used in striking the lyre was at all like a comb in shape and appearance, but because it was held in the right hand, and inserted between the *stamina* of the lyre, as the comb was between the *stamina* of the loom.

TELO'NES (*τελώνης*), a farmer of the public taxes at Athens. The taxes were let by auction to the highest bidder. Companies often took them in the name of one person, who was called *ἀρχώνης* or *τελωνάρχης*, and was their representative to the state. Sureties were required of the farmer for the payment of his dues. The office was frequently undertaken by resident aliens, citizens not liking it, on account of the vexatious proceedings to which it often led. The farmer was armed with considerable powers: he carried with him his books, searched for contraband or uncustomed goods, watched the harbour, markets, and other places, to prevent smuggling, or unlawful and clandestine sales; brought a *phasis* (*φάσις*) or other legal process against those whom he suspected of defrauding the revenue; or even seized their persons on some occasions, and took them before the magistrate. To enable him to perform these duties, he was exempted from military service. Collectors (*ἐκλογεῖς*) were sometimes employed by the farmers; but frequently the farmer and the collector were the same person.

The taxes were let by the commissioners (*πωλήται*), acting under the authority of the senate. The payments were made by the farmer on stated *prytaneias* in the senate-house. There was usually one payment made

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in advance, *προκαταβολή*, and one or more afterwards, called *προσκατάβλημα*. Upon any default of payment, the farmer became *atimous*, if a citizen, and he was liable to be imprisoned at the discretion of the court, upon an information laid against him. If the debt was not paid by the expiration of the ninth *prytaneia*, it was doubled; and if not then paid, his property became forfeited to the state, and proceedings to confiscation might be taken forthwith. Upon this subject, see the speech of Demosthenes against Timocrates.

TELOS (*τέλος*), a tax. The taxes imposed by the Athenians, and collected at home, were either ordinary or extraordinary. The former constituted a regular or permanent source of income; the latter were only raised in time of war or other emergency. The ordinary taxes were laid mostly upon *property*, and upon citizens *indirectly*, in the shape of toll or customs; though the resident aliens paid a poll-tax (called *μετοίκιον*), for the liberty of residing at Athens under protection of the state. There was a duty of two per cent (*πεντηκοστή*), levied upon all exports and imports. An excise was paid on all sales in the market (called *ἐπανία*), though we know not what the amount was. Slave owners paid a duty of three obols for every slave they kept: and slaves who had been emancipated paid the same. This was a very productive tax before the fortification of Decelea by the Lacedaemonians. The justice fees (*πρυτανεῖα*, *παράστασις*, &c.) were a lucrative tax in time of peace.

The extraordinary taxes were the property tax, and the compulsory services called *liturgies* (*λειτουργίαι*). Some of these last were regular, and recurred annually; the most important, the *trierarchia*, was a war-service, and performed as occasion required. As these services were all performed, wholly or partly, at the expense of the individual, they may be regarded as a species of tax. [*EISPHORA; LEITOURGIA; TRIERARCHIA.*]

The tribute (*φόρος*) paid by the allied states to the Athenians formed, in the flourishing period of the republic, a regular and most important source of revenue. In Olymp. 91.2., the Athenians substituted for the tribute a duty of five per cent (*εἰκοστή*) on all commodities exported or imported by the subject states, thinking to raise by this means a larger income than by direct taxation. This was terminated by the issue of the Peloponnesian war, though the tribute was afterwards revived, on more equitable principles, under the name of *σύνταξις*.

Other sources of revenue were derived by the Athenians from their mines and public

lands, fines, and confiscations. The public demesne lands, whether pasture or arable, houses or other buildings, were usually let by auction to private persons. The conditions of the lease were engraven on stone. The rent was payable by prytaneias.

These various sources of revenue produced, according to Aristophanes, an annual income of two thousand talents in the most flourishing period of Athenian empire.

Τελεῖν signifies "to settle, complete, or perfect," and hence "to settle an account," and generally "to pay." Thus *Τέλος* comes to mean any payment in the nature of a tax or duty. The words are connected with *zahlen* in German, and the old sense of *tale* in English, and the modern word *toll*. Though *τέλος* may signify any payment in the nature of a tax or duty, it is more commonly used of the ordinary taxes, as customs, &c. *ἰσοτέλεια* signifies the right of being taxed on the same footing, and having other privileges, the same as the citizens; a right sometimes granted to resident aliens. *Ἀτέλεια* signifies an exemption from taxes, or other duties and services; an honour very rarely granted by the Athenians. As to the farming of the taxes, see *TE-LONES*.

TEMPLE. [TEMPLUM.]

TEMPLUM is the same word as the Greek *Temenos* (τέμενος, from τέμνω, to cut off); for *templum* was any place which was circumscribed and separated by the augurs from the rest of the land by a certain solemn formula. The technical terms for this act of the augurs are *liberare* and *effari*, and hence a *templum* itself is a *locus liberatus et effatus*. A place thus set apart and hallowed by the augurs was always intended to serve religious purposes, but chiefly for taking the auguries. The place in the heavens within which the observations were to be made was likewise called *templum*, as it was marked out and separated from the rest by the staff of the augur. When the augur had defined the *templum* within which he intended to make his observations, he fixed his tent in it (*tabernaculum capere*), and this tent was likewise called *templum*, or more accurately, *templum minus*. The place chosen for a *templum* was generally an eminence, and in the city it was the *arx*, where the fixing of a tent does not appear to have been necessary, because here a place called *auguraculum* was once for all consecrated for this purpose.

Besides this meaning of the word *templum* in the language of the augurs, it also had that of a temple in the common acceptation. In this case, too, however, the sacred precinct within which a temple was built, was always

a *locus liberatus et effatus* by the augurs, that is, a *templum* or a *fanum*; the consecration was completed by the pontiffs, and not until inauguration and consecration had taken place, could *sacra* be performed or meetings of the senate be held in it. It was necessary then for a temple to be sanctioned by the gods, whose will was ascertained by the augurs, and to be consecrated or dedicated by the will of man (pontiffs). Where the sanction of the gods had not been obtained, and where the mere act of man had consecrated a place to the gods, such a place was only a *sacrum sacrarium*, or *sacellum*. The ceremony performed by the augurs was essential to a temple, as the consecration by the pontiffs took place also in other sanctuaries which were not *templa*, but mere *sacra* or *aedes sacrae*. Thus the sanctuary of Vesta was not a *templum*, but an *aedes sacra*, and the various *curiae* (Hostilia, Pompeia, Julia) required to be made *templa* by the augurs before *senatusconsulta* could be made in them. It is impossible to determine with certainty in what respects a *templum* differed from a *delubrum*.

Temples appear to have existed in Greece from the earliest times. They were separated from the profane land around them (*τόπος βέβηλος* or *τὰ βέβηλα*), because every one was allowed to walk in the latter. This separation was in early times indicated by very simple means, such as a string or a rope. Subsequently, however, they were surrounded by more efficient fences, or even by a wall (*ἔρκος, περίβολος*). The whole space enclosed in such a *περίβολος* was called *τέμενος*, or sometimes *ἱερόν*, and contained, besides the temple itself, other sacred buildings, and sacred ground planted with groves, &c. Within the precincts of the sacred enclosure no dead were generally allowed to be buried, though there were some exceptions to this rule, and we have instances of persons being buried in or at least near certain temples. The religious laws of the island of Delos did not allow any corpses to be buried within the whole extent of the island, and when this law had been violated, a part of the island was first purified by Pisisstratus, and subsequently the whole island by the Athenian people.

The temple itself was called *ναός* or *νεώς*, and at its entrance fonts (*περιβαντήρια*) were generally placed, that those who entered the sanctuary to pray or to offer sacrifices might first purify themselves. The act of consecration, by which a temple was dedicated to a god, was called *ἱδρυσαι*. The character of the early Greek temples was

dark and mysterious, for they had no windows, and they received light only through the door, which was very large, or from lamps burning in them. Architecture in the construction of magnificent temples, however, made great progress even at an earlier time than either painting or statuary, and long before the Persian wars we hear of temples of extraordinary grandeur and beauty. All temples were built either in an oblong or round form, and were mostly adorned with columns. Those of an oblong form had columns either in the front alone (*prostylus*), in the fore and back fronts (*amphiprostylus*), or on all the four sides (*peripterus*). Respecting the original use of these porticoes see *PORTRICUS*. The friezes and metopes were adorned with various sculptures, and no expense was spared in embellishing the abodes of the gods. The light, which was formerly let in at the door, was now frequently let in from above through an opening in the middle. Most of the great temples consisted of three parts: 1. the *πρόναος* or *πρόδομος*, the vestibule; 2. the cella (*ναός*, *σηκός*); and 3. the *ὑπισθόδομος*. The cella was the most important part, as it was, properly speaking, the temple or the habitation of the deity whose statue it contained. In one and the same cella there were sometimes the statues of two or more divinities, as in the Erechtheum at Athens the statues of Neptune, Vulcan, and Butas. The statues always faced the entrance, which was in the centre of the *prostylus*. The place where the statue stood was called *ἕδος*, and was surrounded by a balustrade or railings. Some temples also had more than one cella, in which case the one was generally behind the other, as in the temple of Minerva Polias at Athens. In temples where oracles were given, or where the worship was connected with mysteries, the cella was called *ἄδυτον*, *μέγαρον*, or *ἑνέκτορον*, and to it only the priests and the initiated had access. The *ὑπισθόδομος* was a building which was sometimes attached to the back front of a temple, and served as a place in which the treasures of the temple were kept, and thus supplied the place of *θησαυροί*, which were attached to some temples.

Independently of the immense treasures contained in many of the Greek temples, which were either utensils or ornaments, and of the tithes of spoils, &c., the property of temples, from which they derived a regular income, consisted of lands (*τεμένη*), either fields, pastures, or forests. These lands were generally let out to farm, unless they were, by some curse which lay on them, prevented from being taken into cultivation.

Respecting the persons entrusted with the superintendence, keeping, cleaning, &c. see *AEDRUI*.

In the earliest times there appear to have been very few temples at Rome, and in many spots the worship of a certain divinity had been established from time immemorial, while we hear of the building of a temple for the same divinity at a comparatively late period. Thus the foundation of a temple to the old Italian divinity Saturnus, on the Capitoline, did not take place till B.C. 498. In the same manner, Quirinus and Mars had temples built to them at a late period. Jupiter also had no temple till the time of An-cus Martius, and the one then built was certainly very insignificant. We may therefore suppose that the places of worship among the earliest Romans were in most cases simple altars or sacella. The Roman temples of later times were constructed in the Greek style.

As regards the property of temples, it is stated that in early times lands were assigned to each temple, but these lands were probably intended for the maintenance of the priests alone. [*SACERDOS*.]

The supreme superintendence of the temples of Rome, and of all things connected with them, belonged to the college of pontiffs. Those persons who had the immediate care of the temples were the *AEDRUI*.

TEPIDARIUM. [*BALNEUM*, p. 47.]

TERMINALIA, a festival in honour of the god Terminus, who presided over boundaries. His statue was merely a stone or post stuck in the ground to distinguish between properties. On the festival the two owners of adjacent property crowned the statue with garlands, and raised a rude altar, on which they offered up some corn, honeycombs, and wine, and sacrificed a lamb or a sucking pig. They concluded with singing the praises of the god. The public festival in honour of this god was celebrated at the sixth mile-stone on the road towards Laurentum, doubtless because this was originally the extent of the Roman territory in that direction.

The festival of the *terminalia* was celebrated on the 23rd of February, on the day before the *Regifugium*. The *Terminalia* was celebrated on the last day of the old Roman year, whence some derive its name. We know that February was the last month of the Roman year, and that when the intercalary month Mercedonius was added, the last five days of February were added to the intercalary month, making the 23d of February the last day of the year.

TERU'NCIUS. [As.]

TESSERA (κύβοϛ), a square or cube; a die; a token.

The dice used in games of chance were *tesserae*, small squares or cubes, and were commonly made of ivory, bone, or wood. They were numbered on all the six sides, like the dice still in use; and in this respect as well as in their form they differed from the *tali*. [TALUS.] Whilst four *tali* were used in playing, only three *tesserae* were anciently employed.

Objects of the same materials with dice, and either formed like them, or of an oblong shape, were used as tokens for different purposes. The *tessera hospitalis* was the token of mutual hospitality, and is spoken of under *HOSPITIUM*. This token was probably in many cases of earthenware, having the head of Jupiter *Hospitalis* stamped upon it. *Tesserae frumentariae* and *nummariae* were tokens given at certain times by the Roman magistrates to the poor, in exchange for which they received a fixed amount of corn or money.

From the application of this term to tokens of various kinds, it was transferred to the word used as a token among soldiers. This was the *tessera militaris*, the σύνθημα of the Greeks. Before joining battle it was given out and passed through the ranks, as a method by which the soldiers might be able to distinguish friends from foes.

TESTUDO (χελώνη), a tortoise, was the name given to several other objects.

1. To the Lyra, because it was sometimes made of a tortoise-shell.

2. To an arched or vaulted roof.

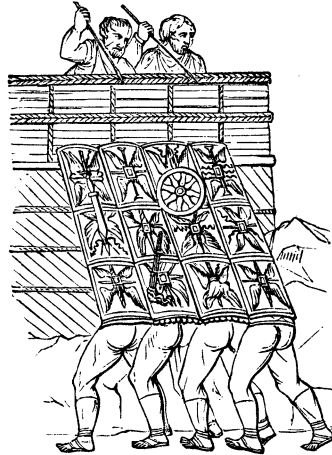
3. To a military machine moving upon wheels and roofed over, used in besieging cities, under which the soldiers worked in undermining the walls or otherwise destroying them. It was usually covered with raw hides, or other materials which could not easily be set on fire. The battering-ram [ARIES] was frequently placed under a *testudo* of this kind, which was then called *Testudo Arietaria*.

4. The name of *testudo* was also applied to the covering made by a close body of soldiers who placed their shields over their heads to secure themselves against the darts of the enemy. The shields fitted so closely together as to present one unbroken surface without any interstices between them, and were also so firm that men could walk upon them, and even horses and chariots be driven over them. A *testudo* was formed (*testudinem facere*) either in battle to ward off the arrows and other missiles of the enemy, or, which was more frequently the case, to form a protection to

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the soldiers when they advanced to the walls or gates of a town for the purpose of attacking them.

Sometimes the shields were disposed in such a way as to make the *testudo* slope. The soldiers in the first line stood upright, those in the second stooped a little, and each line successively was a little lower than the preceding down to the last, where the soldiers rested on one knee. Such a disposition of the shields was called *fastigata testudo*, on account of their sloping like the roof of a building. The advantages of this plan were obvious: the stones and missiles thrown upon the shields rolled off them like water from a roof; besides which, other soldiers frequently advanced upon them to attack the enemy upon the walls. The Romans were accustomed to form this kind of *testudo*, as an exercise, in the games of the circus.



Testudo.

TETRARCHES or TETRARCHA (τετράρχης). This word was originally used, according to its etymological meaning, to signify the governor of the fourth part of a country (τετραρχία or τετραδαρχία). We have an example in the ancient division of Thessaly into four tetrarchies, which was revived by Philip. Each of the three Gallic tribes which settled in Galatia was divided into four tetrarchies, each ruled by a tetrarch. Some of the tribes of Syria were ruled by tetrarchs, and several of the princes of the

house of Herod ruled in Palestine with this title.

In the later period of the republic and under the empire, the Romans seem to have used the title (as also those of *ethnarch* and *phylarch*) to designate those tributary princes who were not of sufficient importance to be called kings.

THARGE'LIA (θαργήλια), a festival celebrated at Athens on the 6th and 7th of Thargelion, in honour of Apollo and Diana.

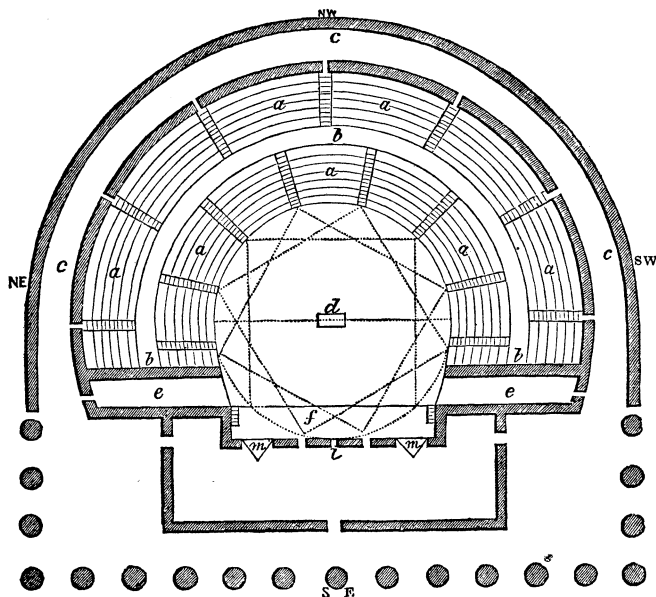
The real festival, or the Thargelia in a narrower sense of the word, appears to have taken place on the 7th; and on the preceding day, the city of Athens, or rather its inhabitants, were purified. The manner in which this purification was effected is very extraordinary, and is certainly a remnant of very ancient rites, for two persons were put to death on that day, and the one died on behalf of the men, and the other on behalf of the women of Athens. The name by which these victims were designated was *pharmaci* (φάρμακοί). It appears probable, however, that this sacrifice did not take place annually, but only in case of a heavy calamity having befallen the city, such as the plague, a famine, &c. The victims appear to have been criminals sentenced to death.

The second day of the thargelia was solemnized with a procession and an agon, which consisted of a cyclic chorus, performed by men at the expense of a choragus. The prize of the victor in this agon was a tripod, which he had to dedicate in the temple of Apollo which had been built by Pisistratus. On this day it was customary for persons who were adopted into a family to be solemnly registered and received into the *genos* and the *phratría* of the adoptive parents. This solemnity was the same as that of registering one's own children at the *Apaturia*.

THEAT'RUM (θέατρον), a theatre. The Athenians before the time of Aeschylus had only a wooden scaffolding on which their dramas were performed. Such a wooden theatre was only erected for the time of the Dionysiac festivals, and was afterwards pulled down. The first drama that Aeschylus brought upon the stage was performed upon such a wooden scaffold, and it is recorded as a singular and ominous coincidence that on that occasion (500 B. C.) the scaffolding broke down. To prevent the recurrence of such an accident, the building of a stone theatre was forthwith commenced on the south-eastern descent of the Acropolis, in the *Lenaë*; for it should be observed, that throughout Greece theatres were always built upon eminences, or on the sloping side of a hill. The

new Athenian theatre was built on a very large scale, and appears to have been constructed with great skill in regard to its acoustic and perspective arrangements. Subsequently theatres were erected in all parts of Greece and Asia Minor, although Athens was the centre of the Greek drama, and the only place which produced great masterworks in this department of literature. All the theatres however which were constructed in Greece were probably built after the model of that of Athens, and with slight deviations and modifications they all resembled one another in the main points, as is seen in the numerous ruins of theatres in various parts of Greece, Asia Minor, and Sicily. The Attic theatre was, like all the Greek theatres, placed in such a manner that the place for the spectators formed the upper or north-western, and the stage with all that belonged to it the south-eastern part, and between these two parts lay the orchestra. The annexed plan has been made from the remains of Greek theatres still extant, and from a careful examination of the passages in ancient writers which describe the whole or parts of a theatre.

1. The place for the spectators was in a narrower sense of the word called *theatrum*. The seats for the spectators, which were in most cases cut out of the rock, consisted of rows of benches rising one above another; the rows themselves (*a*) formed parts (nearly three-fourths) of concentric circles, and were at intervals divided into compartments by one or more broad passages (*b*) running between them, and parallel with the benches. These passages were called *διαζώματα*, or *καταομαί*, Lat. *praecinctiones*, and when the concourse of people was very great in a theatre, many persons might stand in them. Across the rows of benches ran stairs, by which persons might ascend from the lowest to the highest. But these stairs ran in straight lines only from one *praecinctio* to another; and the stairs in the next series of rows were just between the two stairs of the lower series of benches. By this course of the stairs the seats were divided into a number of compartments, resembling cones from which the tops are cut off; hence, they were termed *κερκίδες*, and in Latin *cunei*. The whole of the place for the spectators (*θέατρον*) was sometimes designated by the name *κοῖλον*, Latin *cavea*, it being in most cases a real excavation of the rock. Above the highest row of benches there rose a covered portico (*c*), which of course far exceeded in height the opposite buildings by which the stage was surrounded, and appears to have also contributed to increase the acoustic



Plan of Greek Theatre.

effect. The entrances to the seats of the spectators were partly underground, and led to the lowest rows of benches, while the upper rows must have been accessible from above.

2. The orchestra (*ὀρχήστρα*) was a circular level space extending in front of the spectators, and somewhat below the lowest row of benches. But it was not a complete circle, one segment of it being appropriated to the stage. The orchestra was the place for the chorus, where it performed its evolutions and dances, for which purpose it was covered with boards. As the chorus was the element out of which the drama arose, so the orchestra was originally the most important part of a theatre: it formed the centre around which all the other parts of the building were grouped. In the centre of the circle of the orchestra was the *thymele* (*θυμέλη*), that is, the altar of Bacchus (*d*), which was of course nearer to the stage than to the seats of the spectators, the distance from which was precisely the length of a radius of the circle. In a wider sense the orchestra also comprised the broad passages (*πάροδοι*, *e*) on each side, between

the projecting wings of the stage and the seats of the spectators, through which the chorus entered the orchestra. The chorus generally arranged itself in the space between the thymele and the stage. The thymele itself was of a square form, and was used for various purposes, according to the nature of the different plays, such as a funeral monument, an altar, &c. It was made of boards, and surrounded on all sides with steps. It thus stood upon a raised platform, which was sometimes occupied by the leader of the chorus, the flute-player, and the rhabdophori. The orchestra, as well as the *theatrum*, lay under the open sky; a roof is nowhere mentioned.

3. The stage. Steps led from each side of the orchestra to the stage, and by them the chorus probably ascended the stage whenever it took a real part in the action itself. The back side of the stage was closed by a wall called the *scena* (*σκηνή*), from which on each side a wing projected which was called the *parascenium* (*παράσκιγιον*). The whole depth of the stage was not very great, as it only comprised a segment of the circle of the or-

chestra. The whole space from the scena to the orchestra was termed the *proscenium* (*προσκήνιον*), and was what we would call the real stage. That part of it which was nearest to the orchestra, and where the actors stood when they spoke, was the *logeum* (*λογεῖον*), also called *ocribas* (*οκρίβας*), in Latin *pulpitum*, which was of course raised above the orchestra and probably on a level with the *thymele*. The *scena* was, as we have already stated, the wall which closed the stage (*proscenium* and *logeum*) from behind. It represented a suitable background, or the locality in which the action was going on. Before the play began it was covered with a curtain (*παραπέτασμα, προσκήνιον, αὐλαία*), Latin *aulaea* or *siparium*. When the play began this curtain was let down, and was rolled up on a roller underneath the stage. The *proscenium* and *logeum* were never concealed from the spectators. As regards the scenery represented on the *scena*, it was different for tragedy, comedy, and the satyric drama, and for each of these kinds of poetry the scenery must have been capable of various modifications, according to the character of each individual play; at least that this was the case with the various tragedies, is evident from the scenes described in the tragedies still extant. In the latter however the back-ground (*scena*) in most cases represented the front of a palace with a door in the centre (*i*) which was called the *royal door*. This palace generally consisted of two stories, and upon its flat roof there appears to have been some elevated place from which persons might observe what was going on at a distance. The palace presented on each side a projecting wing, each of which had its separate entrance. These wings generally represented the habitations of guests and visitors. All the three doors must have been visible to the spectators. The protagonists always entered the stage through the middle or royal door, the deuteragonistes and tritagonistes through those on the right and left wings. In tragedies like the *Prometheus*, the *Persians*, *Philoctetes*, *Oedipus* in *Colonus*, and others, the back-ground did not represent a palace. There are other pieces again in which the *scena* must have been changed in the course of the performance, as in the *Eumenides* of *Aeschylus* and the *Ajax* of *Sophocles*. The dramas of *Euripides* required a great variety of scenery; and if in addition to this we recollect that several pieces were played in one day, it is manifest that the mechanical parts of stage performance, at least in the days of *Euripides*, must have been brought to great perfection. The *scena* in the satyric drama

appears to have always represented a woody district with hills and grottos; in comedy the *scena* represented, at least in later times, the fronts of private dwellings or the habitations of slaves. The art of scene-painting must have been applied long before the time of *Sophocles*, although *Aristotle* ascribes its introduction to him.

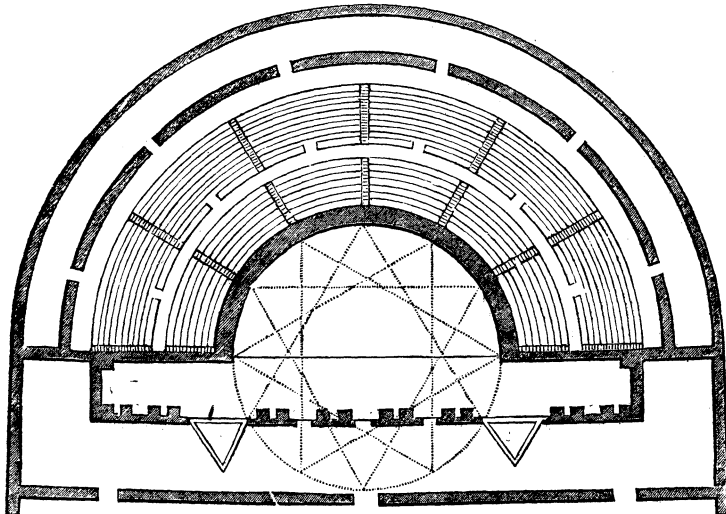
The whole of the cavea in the Attic theatre must have contained about 50,000 spectators. The places for generals, the archons, priests, foreign ambassadors, and other distinguished persons, were in the lowest rows of benches, and nearest to the orchestra, and they appear to have been sometimes covered with a sort of canopy. The rows of benches above these were occupied by the senate of 500, those next in succession by the *ephebi*, and the rest by the people of Athens. But it would seem that they did not sit indiscriminately, but that the better places were let at a higher price than the others, and that no one had a right to take a place for which he had not paid. The usual fee for a place was two *obols*, which was subsequently given to the poorer classes by a law of *Pericles*. [THEORICA.] Women were allowed to be present during the performance of tragedies, but not of comedies.

The Romans must have become acquainted with the theatres of the Italian Greeks at an early period, whence they erected their own theatres in similar positions upon the sides of hills. This is still clear from the ruins of very ancient theatres at *Tusculum* and *Pæsulæ*. The Romans themselves, however, did not possess a regular stone theatre until a very late period; and although dramatic representations were very popular in earlier times, it appears that a wooden stage was erected when necessary, and was afterwards pulled down again, and the plays of *Plautus* and *Terence* were performed on such temporary scaffoldings. In the mean while, many of the neighbouring towns of Rome had their stone theatres, as the introduction of Greek customs and manners was less strongly opposed in them than in the city of Rome itself. Wooden theatres, adorned with the most profuse magnificence, were erected at Rome even during the last period of the republic. In B. C. 55 Cn. Pompey built the first stone theatre at Rome, near the *Campus Martius*. It was of great beauty, and is said to have been built after the model of that of *Mytilene*; it contained 40,000 spectators.

The construction of a Roman theatre resembled, on the whole, that of a Greek one. The principal differences are, that the seats of the spectators, which rose in the form of

an amphitheatre around the orchestra, did not form more than a semicircle; and that the whole of the orchestra likewise formed only a semicircle, the diameter of which formed the front line of the stage. The Roman orchestra contained no thymele, and was not destined for a chorus, but contained the seats for senators and other distinguished persons, such as foreign ambassadors, which are called *primus subselliorum ordo*. In B. C. 68 the tribune L. Roscius Otho carried a law which

regulated the places in the theatre to be occupied by the different classes of Roman citizens: it enacted that fourteen ordines of benches were to be assigned as seats to the equites. Hence these quatuordecim ordines are sometimes mentioned without any further addition, as the honorary seats of the equites. They were undoubtedly close behind the seats of the senators and magistrates, and thus consisted of the rows of benches immediately behind the orchestra.



Plan of Roman Theatre.

THENSAE or **TENSAE**, highly ornamented sacred vehicles, which, in the solemn pomp of the Circensian games, conveyed the statues of certain deities with all their decorations to the pulvinaria, and after the sports were over bore them back to their shrines. We are ignorant of their precise form. We know that they were drawn by horses, and escorted (*deducere*) by the chief senators in robes of state, who, along with *pueri patrimi* [*PATRIMI*], laid hold of the bridles and traces, or perhaps assisted to drag the carriage by means of thongs attached for the purpose (and hence the proposed derivation from *tendo*). So sacred was this duty considered, that Augustus, when labouring under sickness, deemed it necessary to accompany the tensae in a litter. If one of the horses knocked up, or

the driver took the reins in his left hand, it was necessary to recommence the procession, and for one of the attendant boys to let go the thong, or to stumble, was profanation.

The only gods distinctly named as carried in tensae are Jupiter and Minerva, though others appear to have had the same honour paid them.

THEOPHANIA (*θεοφάνια*), a festival celebrated at Delphi, on the occasion of which the Delphians filled the huge silver crater which had been presented to the Delphic god by Croesus.

THEORIA. [**THEORI.**]

THEORICA (*θεωρικά*). Under this name at Athens were comprised the moneys expended on festivals, sacrifices, and public enter-

tainments of various kinds; and also moneys distributed among the people in the shape of largesses from the state.

There were, according to Xenophon, more festivals at Athens than in all the rest of Greece. At the most important of the public festivals, such as the Dionysia, Panathenaea, Eleusinia, Thargelia, and some others, there were not only sacrifices, but processions, theatrical exhibitions, gymnastic contests, and games, celebrated with great splendour and at a great expense. A portion of the expense was defrayed by the individuals upon whom the burden of the liturgies devolved; but a considerable, and perhaps the larger, part was defrayed by the public treasury. Demosthenes complains, that more money was spent on a single Panathenaeic or Dionysiac festival than on any military expedition. The religious embassies to Delos and other places, and especially those to the Olympian, Nemean, Isthmian, and Pythian games, drew largely upon the public exchequer, though a part of the cost fell upon the wealthier citizens who conducted them.

The largesses distributed among the people had their origin at an early period, and in a measure apparently harmless, though from a small beginning they afterwards rose to a height most injurious to the commonwealth. The Attic drama used to be performed in a wooden theatre, and the entrance was free to all citizens who chose to go. It was found, however, that the crushing to get in led to much confusion and even danger. On one occasion, about B. C. 500, the wooden scaffolding of the theatre fell down, and caused great alarm. It was then determined that the entrance should no longer be gratuitous. The fee for a place was fixed at two obols, which was paid to the lessee of the theatre, (called *θεατρώνης*, *θεατροπώλης*, or *ἀρχιτέκτων*), who undertook to keep it in repair, and constantly ready for use, on condition of being allowed to receive the profits. This payment continued to be exacted after the stone theatre was built. Pericles, to relieve the poorer classes, passed a law which enabled them to receive the price of admission from the state; after which all those citizens who were too poor to pay for their places applied for the money in the public assembly, which was then frequently held in the theatre. In process of time this donation was extended to other entertainments besides theatrical ones; the sum of two oboli being given to each citizen who attended; if the festival lasted two days, four oboli; and if three, six oboli; but not beyond. Hence all theoric largesses received the name of *diobelia* (*διωβελία*). It

is calculated that from 25 to 30 talents were spent upon them annually.

So large an expenditure of the public funds upon shows and amusements absorbed the resources, which were demanded for services of a more important nature. By the ancient law, the whole surplus of the annual revenue which remained after the expense of the civil administration (*τὰ περίοντα χρήματα τῆς διοικήσεως*) was to be carried to the military fund, and applied to the defence of the commonwealth. Since the time of Pericles various demagogues had sprung up, who induced the people to divert all that could be spared from the other branches of civil expenditure into the theoric fund, which at length swallowed up the whole surplus, and the supplies needed for the purpose of war or defence were left to depend upon the extraordinary contributions, or property-tax (*εὐφοραὶ*). An attempt was made by the demagogue Eubulus to perpetuate this system. He passed a law, which made it a capital offence to propose that the theoric fund should be applied to military service. The law of Eubulus was a source of great embarrassment to Demosthenes, in the prosecutions of his schemes for the national defence; and he seems at last, but not before B. C. 339, to have succeeded in repealing it.

In the earlier times there was no person, or board of persons, expressly appointed to manage the theoric fund. The money thus appropriated was disbursed by the Hellenotamiae. After the anarchy, the largess system having been restored by Agyrrhius, a board of managers was appointed. They were elected by show of hands at the period of the great Dionysia, one from each tribe.

THEORI (*θεωροί*), persons sent on special missions (*θεωρίαι*) to perform some religious duty, as to consult an oracle, or to offer a sacrifice, on behalf of the state. There were in some of the Dorian states, as the Aeginetans, Troezenians, Messenians, and Mantinians, official priests called *ἱεῖροι*, whose duty it was to consult oracles, interpret the responses, &c., as among the Spartans there were men called *Pythii*, chosen by the kings to consult the oracle at Delphi. At Athens there were no official persons called *Theoroi*, but the name was given to those citizens who were appointed from time to time to conduct religious embassies to various places; or which the most important were those that were sent to the Olympian, Pythian, Nemean, and Isthmian games, those that went to consult the god at Delphi, and those that led the solemn procession to Delos, where the Athenians established a quadriennial fes-

tival, in revival of the ancient Ionian one, of which Homer speaks. The expense of these embassies was defrayed partly by the state and partly by wealthy citizens, to whom the management of them was entrusted, called *Architheoroi* (ἀρχιθέωροι), chiefs of the embassy. This was a sort of liturgy, and frequently a very costly one; as the chief conductor represented the state, and was expected to appear with a suitable degree of splendour; for instance, to wear a golden crown, to drive into the city with a handsome chariot, retinue, &c.

The Salaminian, or Delian, ship was also called *θεωρίς ναῦς*, and was principally used for conveying embassies to Delos, though, like the *Paralus*, it was employed on other expeditions besides.

THERMAE. [BALNEUM.]

THESEIA (θησεΐα), a festival celebrated by the Athenians in honour of their national hero Theseus, whom they believed to have been the author of their democratical form of government. In consequence of this belief donations of bread and meat were given to the poor people at the Theseia, which was thus for them a feast at which they felt no want, and might fancy themselves equal to the wealthiest citizens. The day on which this festival was held was the eighth of every month (ὀγδόαι), but more especially the eighth of Pyanepsion, whence the festival was sometimes called *ὀγδόδιον*. It is probable that the festival of the Theseia was not instituted till b. c. 469, when Cimon brought the remains of Theseus from Scyrus to Athens.

THESMOPHORIA (θεσμοφόρια), a great festival and mysteries, celebrated in honour of Ceres in various parts of Greece, and only by women, though some ceremonies were also performed by maidens. It was intended to commemorate the introduction of the laws and regulations of civilized life, which was universally ascribed to Ceres. The Attic thesmophoria probably lasted only three days, and began on the 11th of Pyanepsion, which day was called *ἄνοδος* or *κάθοδος*, because the solemnities were opened by the women with a procession from Athens to Eleusis. In this procession they carried on their heads sacred laws (νόμιμοι βιβλοι or θεσμοί), the introduction of which was ascribed to Ceres (Θεσμοφόρος), and other symbols of civilized life. The women spent the night at Eleusis in celebrating the mysteries of the goddess. The second day, called *νηστεία*, was a day of mourning, during which the women sat on the ground around the statue of Ceres, and took no other

food than cakes made of sesame and honey. On this day no meetings either of the senate or the people were held. It was probably in the afternoon of this day that the women held a procession at Athens, in which they walked barefooted behind a waggon, upon which baskets with mystical symbols were conveyed to the thesmophorion. The third day, called *καλλυγνεία*, from the circumstance that Ceres was invoked under this name, was a day of merriment and railery among the women themselves, in commemoration of Iambe, who was said to have made the goddess smile during her grief.

THESMOTHETAE. [ARCHON.]

THETES. [CENSUS, p. 73.]

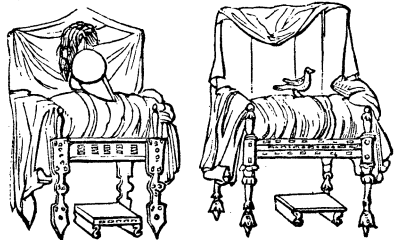
THOLOS (θόλος, also called *σκαίς*), a name given to any round building which terminated at the top in a point, whatever might be the purpose for which it was used. At Athens the name was in particular applied to the new round prytaneum near the senate-house, which should not be confounded with the old prytaneum at the foot of the acropolis. It was therefore the place in which the prytanes took their common meals and offered their sacrifices. It was adorned with some small silver statues, and near it stood the ten statues of the Attic Eponymi.

THORAX. [LORICA.]

THRACES. [GLADIATORES.]

THRANITÆ. [NAVIS, p. 219.]

THRONUS (θρόνος), a throne, is a Greek word, for which the proper Latin term is *Solium*. This did not differ from a chair (*καθέδρα*) [CATHEDRA; SELLA] except in being higher, larger, and in all respects more magnificent. On account of its elevation it was always necessarily accompanied by a footstool (*subsellium*, ὑποπόδιον, θρόνιον). The accompanying cut shows two gilded thrones with cushions and drapery, intended to be the thrones of Mars and Venus, which is expressed by the helmet on the one and the dove on the other.



Throni, Thrones.

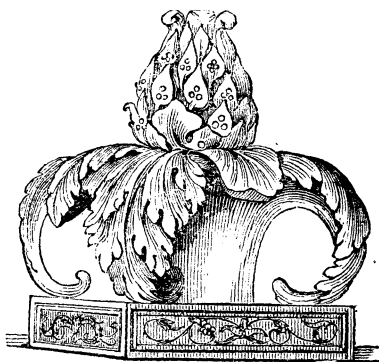
The following wood-cut from a fictile vase in the Museo Borbonico at Naples, represents Juno seated on a splendid throne, which is elevated on a basement. She holds in her left hand a sceptre, and in her right the apple, which Mercury is about to convey to Paris with a view to the celebrated contest for beauty on Mount Ida. Mercury is distinguished by his *talaria*, his *caduceus*, and his *petasus* thrown behind his back, and hanging by a string. On the right side of the throne is the representation of a tigress or panther.



Thronus, Throne.

THY-MELE. [THEATRUM, p. 318.]

THYRSUS (*θύρσος*), a pole carried by Bacchus, and by Satyrs, Maenades, and others who engaged in Bacchic festivities and rites. [DIONYSIA.] It was sometimes terminated by the apple of the pine, or fir-cone, that tree (*πεύκη*) being dedicated to Bacchus in consequence of the use of the turpentine which flowed from it, and also of its cones, in making wine. The monuments of ancient art, however, most commonly exhibit, instead of the pine-apple, a bunch of vine or ivy leaves, with grapes or berries, arranged into the form of a cone. The annexed cut shows the head of a thyrsus composed of the leaves and berries of the ivy, and surrounded by acanthus-leaves. The fabulous history of Bacchus relates that he converted the thyrsi carried by himself and his followers into dangerous weapons, by concealing an iron point in the head of the leaves. Hence his thyrsus is called "a spear enveloped in vine-leaves," and its point was thought to incite to madness.



Head of a Thyrsus.

TIARA or TIA'RAS (τιάρα or τιάρας: *Att. κυρβάσια*), a hat with a large high crown. This was the head-dress which characterized the north-western Asiatics, and more especially the Armenians, Parthians, and Persians, as distinguished from the Greeks and Romans, whose hats fitted the head, or had only a low crown. The king of Persia wore an erect tiara, whilst those of his subjects wore soft and flexible, falling on one side. The Persian name for this regal head-dress was *cidaris*.



Tiara, Persian Head-dress.

TÍBIA (αὐλός), a pipe, the commonest musical instrument of the Greeks and Romans. It was very frequently a hollow cane, perforated with holes in the proper places. In other instances it was made of some kind of wood, especially box, and was bored with a gimblet.

When a single pipe was used by itself, the performer upon it, as well as the instrument, was called *monaulos*. Among the varieties of the single pipe the most remarkable were the bagpipe, the performer on which was called *utricularius* or ὑσκαύλης; and the αὐλὸς πλάγιος or πλαγίανλος, which, as its name implies, had a mouth-pipe inserted into it at right angles. Pan was the reputed inventor of this kind of tibia as well as of the *fistula* or *syrix* [SYRINX].

But among the Greeks and Romans it was much more usual to play on two pipes at the same time. Hence a performance on this instrument (*tibicinium*), even when executed by a single person, was called *canere* or *cantare tibiis*. This act is exhibited in very numerous works of ancient art, and often in such a way as to make it manifest that the two pipes were perfectly distinct, and not connected, as some have supposed, by a common mouth-piece. The mouth-pieces of the two pipes often passed through a capistrum. (See cut, p. 77.)

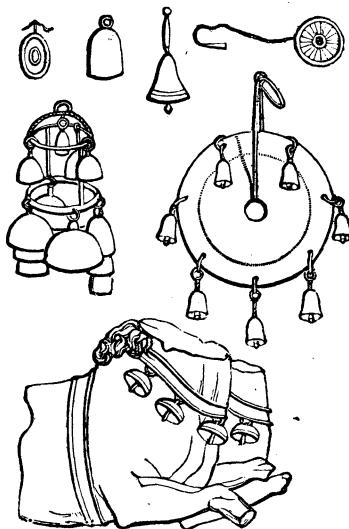
Three different kinds of pipes were originally used to produce music in the Dorian, Phrygian, and Lydian modes. It appears, also, that to produce the Phrygian mode the pipe had only two holes above, and that it terminated in a horn bending upwards. It thus approached to the nature of a trumpet, and produced slow, grave, and solemn tunes. The Lydian mode was much quicker, and more varied and animating. Horace mentions "Lydian pipes" as a proper accompaniment, when he is celebrating the praise of ancient heroes. The Lydians themselves used this instrument in leading their troops to battle; and the pipes employed for the purpose are distinguished by Herodotus as "male and female," i. e. probably base and treble, corresponding to the ordinary sexual difference in the human voice. The corresponding Latin terms are *tibia dextra* and *sinistra*; the respective instruments are supposed to have been so called, because the former was more properly held in the right hand and the latter in the left. The "*tibia dextra*" was used to lead or commence a piece of music, and the "*sinistra*" followed it as an accompaniment. The comedies of Terence having been accompanied by the pipe, the following notices are prefixed to explain the

kind of music appropriate to each: *tibiis paribus*, i. e. with pipes in the same mode; *tib. imparibus*, pipes in different modes; *tib. duabus dextris*, two pipes of low pitch; *tib. par. dextris et sinistris*, pipes in the same mode, and of both low and high pitch.

The use of the pipe among the Greeks and Romans was threefold, viz. at sacrifices (*tibiae sacrificae*), entertainments (*ludicrae*), and funerals. The pipe was not confined anciently, as it is with us, to the male sex, but αὐλητρίδες, or female tibicines, were very common.

TIME'MA (τίμημα). [DICE'.]

TINTINNA'BULUM (κῳδων), a bell. Bells were of various forms among the Greeks and Romans, as among us. Various specimens of them are given in the annexed cut.



Tintinnabula, Bells.

TIROCINIUM. [TIRO.]

TIRO, the name given by the Romans to a newly enlisted soldier, as opposed to *veteranus*, one who had had experience in war. The mode of levying troops is described under *EXERCITUS*. The age at which the liability to military service commenced was 17. From their first enrolment the Roman soldiers, when not actually serving against an enemy, were perpetually occupied in military exercises. They were exercised every day, the *triones*

twice, in the morning and afternoon, and the veteran once.

The state of a tiro was called *tirocinium*; and a soldier who had attained skill in his profession was then said *tirocinium ponere*, or *deponere*.

In civil life the terms *tiro* and *tirocinium* were applied to the assumption of the toga virilis, which was called *tirocinium fori* [TOGA], and to the first appearance of an orator at the rostra, *tirocinium eloquentiae*.

TITII SODALES, a sodalitas or college of priests at Rome, who represented the second tribe of the Romans, or the Tities, that is, the Sabines, who, after their union with the Ramnes or Latins, continued to perform their own ancient Sabine sacra. To superintend and preserve these, T. Tatius is said to have instituted the Titii sodales. During the time of the republic the Titii sodales are no longer mentioned, as the sacra of the three tribes became gradually united into one common religion. Under the empire we again meet with a college of priests bearing the name of Sodales Titii or Titienses, or Sacerdotes Titiales Flaviales; but they had nothing to do with the sacra of the ancient tribe of the Tities, but were priests instituted to conduct the worship of an emperor, like the Augustales.

TITIES or TITIENSES. [PATRICII.]

TOGA (τήβεννος), a gown, the name of the principal outer garment worn by the Romans, seems to have been received by them from the Etruscans.

The toga was the peculiar distinction of

the Romans, who were thence called *togati* or *gens togata*. It was originally worn only in Rome itself, and the use of it was forbidden alike to exiles and to foreigners. Gradually, however, it went out of common use, and was supplanted by the pallium and lacer-na, or else it was worn in public under the lacer-na. [LACERNA.] But it was still used by the upper classes, who regarded it as an honourable distinction, in the courts of justice, by clients when they received the SPOR-TULA, and in the theatre or at the games, at least when the emperor was present.

The exact form of the toga, and the manner of wearing it, are matters which are much disputed, and about which indeed it seems almost impossible, with our present information, to arrive at certainty.

The *sinus* of the toga, to which frequent reference is made, was a portion of the garment, which hung down in front of the body, like a sling. (See the preceding cut.)

One mode of wearing the toga was the *cinctus Gabinus*. It consisted in forming a part of the toga itself into a girdle, by drawing its outer edge round the body and tying it in a knot, in front, and at the same time covering the head with another portion of the garment. It was worn by persons offering sacrifices, by the consul when he declared war, and by devoted persons, as in the case of Decius. Its origin was Etruscan, as its name implies. Persons wearing this dress were said to be *procincti* (or *incincti*) *cinctu* (or *ritu*) *Gabino*.

The colour of the toga worn by men (*toga virilis*) was generally white, that is, the natural colour of white wool. Hence it was called *pura* or *vestimentum purum*, in opposition to the *praetexta* mentioned below. A brighter white was given to the toga of candidates for offices (*candidati* from their *toga candida*) by rubbing it with chalk. There is an illusion to this custom in the phrase *cretata ambitio*. White togas are often mentioned as worn at festivals, which does not imply that they were not worn commonly, but that new or fresh-cleaned togas were first put on at festivals. The toga was kept white and clean by the fuller. When this was neglected, the toga was called *sordida*, and those who wore such garments *sordidati*. This dress (with disarranged hair and other marks of disorder about the person) was worn by accused persons, as in the case of Cicero. The *toga pulla*, which was of the natural colour of black wool, was worn in private mourning, and sometimes also by artificers and others of the lower orders. The *toga picta*, which was ornamented with Phrygian embroidery, was



Toga.

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worn by generals in triumphs [TRIUMPHUS], and under the emperors by the consuls, and by the praetors when they celebrated the games. It was also called *Capitolina*. The *toga palmata* was a kind of toga picta. The *toga praetexta* had a broad purple border. It was worn with the *BULLA*, by children of both sexes. It was also worn by magistrates, both those of Rome, and those of the colonies and municipia; by the sacerdotēs, and by persons engaged in sacred rites or paying vows. Among those who possessed the *jus togae praetextae habendae*, the following may be more particularly mentioned: the dictator, the consuls, the praetors (who laid aside the praetexta when about to condemn a Roman citizen to death), the augurs (who, however, are supposed by some to have worn the *trabea*), the decemviri sacris faciundis, the aediles, the triumviri epulones, the senators on festival days, the magistri collegii, and the magistri vicorum when celebrating games. In the case of the tribuni plebis, censors, and quaestors, there is some doubt upon the subject.

The toga praetexta is said to have been derived from the Etruscans, and to have been first adopted, with the *latus clavus* [CLAVUS LATVS], by Tullus Hostilius as the royal robe, whence its use by the magistrates in the republic. The toga praetexta and the *bullā aurea* were first given to boys in the case of the son of Tarquinius Priscus, who, at the age of fourteen, in the Sabine war, slew an enemy with his own hand. Respecting the leaving off of the toga praetexta, and the assumption of the toga virilis, see IMPUBES and CLAVUS LATVS. The occasion was celebrated with great rejoicings by the friends of the youth, who attended him in a solemn procession to the Forum and Capitol. This assumption of the toga virilis was called *tirocinium fori*, as being the young man's introduction to public life. Girls wore the praetexta till their marriage.

The *trabea* was a toga ornamented with purple horizontal stripes. There were three kinds of *trabea*; one wholly of purple, which was sacred to the gods, another of purple and white, and another of purple and saffron, which belonged to augurs. The purple and white *trabea* was a royal robe, and is assigned to the Latin and early Roman kings, especially to Romulus. It was worn by the consuls in public solemnities, such as opening the temple of Janus. The equites wore it at the *transvectio*, and in other public solemnities. Hence the *trabea* is mentioned as the badge of the equestrian order. Lastly, the toga worn by the Roman emperors was wholly of purple. It

appears to have been first assumed by Julius Caesar.

The material of which the toga was commonly made was wool. It was sometimes thick and sometimes thin. The former was the *toga densa, pinguis, or hirta*. A new toga, with the nap neither worn off nor cut close, was called *peva*, to which is opposed the *trita* or *rasa*, which was used as a summer dress.

The toga was originally worn by both sexes; but when the stola came to be worn by matrons, the toga was only worn by the meretrices, and by women who had been divorced on account of adultery. [STOLA.] Before the use of the toga became almost restricted to the upper classes, their toga was only distinguished from that of the lower classes by being fuller and more expensive. In war it was laid aside, and replaced by the PALUDAMENTUM and SACUM. Hence *togatus* is opposed to *miles*. The toga was, however, sometimes used by soldiers, but not in battle, nor as their ordinary dress; but rather as a cloak or blanket. It was chiefly worn in Rome, and hence *togatus* is opposed to *rusticus*. The toga was often used as a covering in sleeping; and lastly, as a shroud for the corpse.

TOMBS. [FUNUS.]

TONSOR. [BARBA.]

TORCULAR, TORCULUM. [VINUM, p. 409, b.]

TORMENTUM (ἀφ᾽ ἑτήρια ὄργανα), a military engine, so called from the twisting (*torquendo*) of hairs, thongs, and vegetable fibres. The principal military engines were the *balista* and *catapulta*. The *balista* (πετροβόλος) was used to shoot stones; the *catapulta* (καταπέλτης, καταπελτική) to project darts, especially the *falarica* [HASTA], and a kind of missile, 4½ feet long, called *trifax*. Whilst in besieging a city the ram [ARIES] was employed in destroying the lower part of the wall, the *balista* was used to overthrow the battlements (*propugnacula, ἐπαλξεῖς*), and the *catapult* to shoot any of the besieged who appeared between them. The forms of these machines being adapted to the objects which they were intended to throw, the *catapult* was long, the *balista* nearly square. Instances are recorded in which the *balista* threw stones to the distance of a quarter of a mile. Some *balistae* threw stones weighing three hundred weight.

Of the *scorpio* or *onager*, which was also a species of tormentum, we know next to nothing.

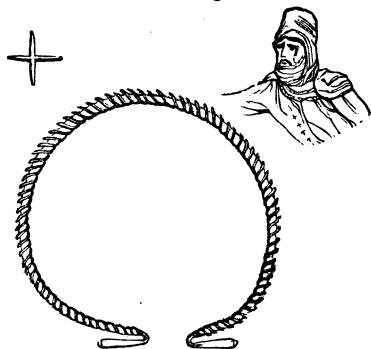
The torture or question (*quaestio*), as applied to criminals or witnesses, was called *tortmentum* by the Romans, and βάσανος by the Greeks. The executioner was called *tortor*,

and among the instruments employed for the purpose were the wheel and the *eculeus*. Among both the Greeks and Romans, no freemen were put to the torture, but only slaves, whose evidence was for that reason often considered of more value than that of freemen.

TORQUES or **TORQUIS** (*στρεπτός*), an ornament of gold, twisted spirally and bent into a circular form, which was worn round the neck by men of distinction among the Persians, the Gauls, and other Asiatic and northern nations.

It was by taking a collar from a Gallic warrior that T. Manlius obtained the cognomen of *Torquatus*.

Torques, whether in the form of collars or bracelets, no doubt formed a considerable part of the wealth of those who wore them. Hence they were an important portion of the spoil, when any Celtic or Oriental army was conquered, and they were among the rewards of valour bestowed after an engagement upon those who had most distinguished themselves.



Torques.

TORTURE. [TORMENTUM.]

TOWERS. [TURRIS.]

TRA'BEA. [TOGA.]

TRA'GULA. [HASTA.]

TRANSTRA. [NAVIS, p. 223.]

TRANSVE'CTIO EQUITUM. [EQUITES, p. 137.]

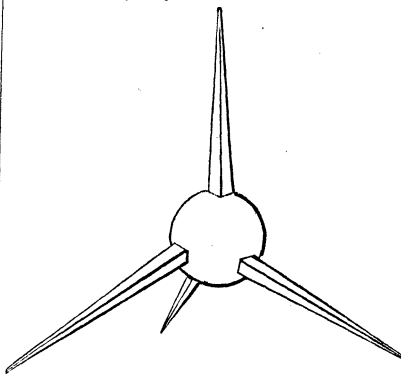
TRIALS, Greek [DICE]; Roman [ACTIO; JUDEX.]

TRIA'RIL. EXERCITUS, p. 142.]

TRIBES. [TRIBUS.]

TRIBULUS (*τριβόλος*), a caltrop, also called *murex*. When a place was beset with troops, the one party endeavoured to impede the cavalry of the other party, either by throw-

ing before them caltrops, which necessarily lay with one of their four sharp points turned upward, or by burying the caltrop with one point at the surface of the ground. The following wood-cut is taken from a bronze caltrop figured by Caius.



Tribulus, Caltrop.

TRIBUNAL, a raised platform, on which the praetor and judges sat in the Basilica. [BASILICA.]

There was a tribunal in the camp, which was generally formed of turf, but sometimes, in a stationary camp, of stone, from which the general addressed the soldiers, and where the consul and tribunes of the soldiers administered justice. When the general addressed the army from the tribunal, the standards were planted in front of it, and the army placed round it in order. The address itself was called *Allocutio*.

TRIBUNUS, a tribune. This word seems originally to have indicated an officer connected with a tribe (*tribus*), or who represented a tribe for certain purposes; and this is indeed the character of the officers who were designated by it in the earliest times of Rome, and may be traced also in the later officers of this name.

1. **TRIBUNES OF THE THREE ANCIENT TRIBES.** At the time when all the Roman citizens were contained in the three tribes of the Ramnes, Tities, and Luceres, each of them was headed by a tribune, and these three tribunes represented their respective tribes in all civil, religious, and military affairs; that is to say, they were in the city the magistrates of the tribes, and performed the sacra on their behalf, and in times of war they were their military commanders. The *tribu-*

nus celerum was the commander of the *celerēs*, the king's body-guard, and not the tribune of the tribe of the Ramnes, as is supposed by some modern writers. In what manner the *tribunus celerum* was appointed, is uncertain, but it is probable that he was elected by the tribes; for we find that when the imperium was to be conferred upon the king, the comitia were held under the presidency of the *tribunus celerum*; and in the absence of the king, to whom this officer was next in rank, he convoked the comitia: it was in an assembly of this kind that Brutus proposed to deprive Tarquinius of the imperium. A law passed under the presidency of the *tribunus celerum* was called a *lex tribunicia*, to distinguish it from one passed under the presidency of the king. The tribunes of the three ancient tribes ceased to be appointed when these tribes themselves ceased to exist as political bodies, and when the patricians became incorporated in the local tribes of Servius Tullius. [TRIBUS.]

2. TRIBUNES OF THE SERVIAN TRIBES (ἐπὶ λαρχοί, τριτνάρχοι). When Servius Tullius divided the commonalty into thirty local tribes, we again find the tribune at the head of these tribes. The duties of these tribunes, who were without doubt the most distinguished persons in their respective districts, appear to have consisted at first in keeping a register of the inhabitants in each district, and of their property, for purposes of taxation, and for levying the troops for the armies. When subsequently the Roman people became exempted from taxes, the main part of their business was taken from them, but they still continued to exist. The *tribuni aerarii*, who occur down to the end of the republic, were perhaps only the successors of the tribunes of the tribes. When (B. C. 406) the custom of giving pay (*stipendium*) to the soldiers was introduced, each of the *tribuni aerarii* had to collect the tributum in his own tribe, and with it to pay the soldiers; and in case they did not fulfil this duty, the soldiers had the right of *pignoris capio* against them. In later times their duties appear to have been confined to collecting the tributum, which they made over to the military quaestors who paid the soldiers. [QUAESTOR.] The *Lex Aurelia*, B. C. 70, called the *tribuni aerarii* to the exercise of judicial functions, along with the senators and equites, as these tribunes represented the body of the most respectable citizens. But of this distinction they were subsequently deprived by Julius Caesar.

3. TRIBUNI PLEBIS (δημαρχοί, the office *δημαρχία*). The ancient tribunes of the plebeian tribes had undoubtedly the right of

convoking the meetings of their tribes, and of maintaining the privileges granted to them by king Servius, and subsequently by the Valerian laws. But this protection was very inadequate against the insatiable ambition and usurpations of the patricians. When the plebeians, impoverished by long wars, and cruelly oppressed by the patricians, at last seceded in B. C. 494 to the Mons Sacer, the patricians were obliged to grant to the plebeians the right of appointing tribunes (*tribuni plebis*) with more efficient powers to protect their own order than those which were possessed by the heads of the tribes. The purpose for which they were appointed was only to afford protection against any abuse on the part of the patrician magistrates; and that they might be able to afford such protection, their persons were declared sacred and inviolable, and it was agreed that whoever invaded this inviolability should be an outlaw, and that his property should be forfeited to the temple of Ceres. A subsequent law enacted that no one should oppose or interrupt a tribune while addressing the people, and that whoever should act contrary to this ordinance should give bail to the tribunes for the payment of whatever fine they should affix to his offence in arraigning him before the commonalty; if he refused to give bail, his life and property were forfeited. The tribunes were thus enabled to afford protection to any one who appealed to the assembly of the commonalty or required any other assistance. They were essentially the representatives and the organs of the plebeian order, and their sphere of action was the comitia tributa. With the patricians and their comitia they had nothing to do. The tribunes themselves however were not judges, and could inflict no punishments, but could only propose the imposition of a fine to the commonalty (*multum irrogare*). The tribunes were thus in their origin only a protecting magistracy of the plebs, but in the course of time their power increased to such a degree that it surpassed that of all other magistrates, and the tribunes then became a magistracy for the whole Roman people, in opposition to the senate and the oligarchical party in general, although they had nothing to do with the administration or the government. During the latter period of the republic they became true tyrants, and may be compared to the national convention of France during the first revolution.

At first the number of the tribunes was only two, but soon afterwards they were increased to five, one being taken from each of the five classes, and subsequently to ten, two

being taken from each of the five classes. This last number appears to have remained unaltered down to the end of the empire.

The tribunes entered upon their office on the 10th of December, but were elected, at least in the time of Cicero, on the 17th of July. It is almost superfluous to state, that none but plebeians were eligible to the office of tribune; hence when towards the end of the republic patricians wished to obtain the office, they were obliged first to renounce their own order and to become plebeians; hence also under the empire it was thought that the princeps should not be tribune because he was a patrician. But the influence which belonged to this office was too great for the emperors not to covet it. Hence Augustus was made tribune for life. During the republic, however, the old **regulation** remained in force, even after the tribunes had ceased to be the protectors of the plebs alone. There is only one instance recorded in which patricians were elected to the tribuneship, and this was probably the consequence of an attempt to divide the tribuneship between the two orders. Although nothing appears to be more natural than that the tribunes should originally have been ejected by that body of Roman citizens which they represented, yet the subject is involved in considerable obscurity. Some writers state that they were elected by the comitia of the curies; others suppose that they were elected in the comitia of the centuries; but whether they were elected in the latter or in the comitia of the tribes, it is certain that at first the sanction of the curies to the election was at all events necessary. But after the time of the Lex Publilia (b. c. 472) the sanction of the curies is not heard of, and the election of the tribunes was left entirely to the comitia tributa, which were convoked and held for this purpose by the old tribunes previous to the expiration of their office. One of the old tribunes was appointed by lot to preside at the election. As the meeting could not be prolonged after sunset, and the business was to be completed in one day, it sometimes happened that it was obliged to break up before the election was completed, and then those who were elected filled up the legitimate number of the college by cooptatio. But in order to prevent this irregularity, the tribune L. Trebonius, in 448 b. c., got an ordinance passed, according to which the college of the tribunes should never be completed by cooptatio, but the elections should be continued on the second day, if they were not completed on the first, till the number ten was made up. The place where the election of the tribunes

was held was originally and lawfully the Forum, afterwards also the Campus Martius, and sometimes the area of the Capitol.

We now proceed to trace the gradual growth of the tribunician power. Although its original character was merely protection (*auxilium* or *βοήθεια*) against patrician magistrates, the plebeians appear early to have regarded their tribunes also as mediators or arbitrators in matters among themselves. The whole power possessed by the college of tribunes was designated by the name *tribunicia potestas*, and extended at no time further than one mile beyond the gates of the city; at a greater distance than this they came under the imperium of the magistrates, like every other citizen. As they were the public guardians, it was necessary that every one should have access to them and at any time; hence the doors of their houses were open day and night for all who were in need of help and protection, which they were empowered to afford against any one, even against the highest magistrates. For the same reason a tribune was not allowed to be absent from the city for a whole day, except during the Feriae Latinae, when the whole people were assembled on the Alban Mount.

In b. c. 456 the tribunes, in opposition to the consuls, assumed the right of convoking the senate, in order to lay before it a rogation, and discuss the same: for until that time the consuls alone had had the right of laying plebiscita before the senate for approbation. Some years after, b. c. 452, the tribunes demanded of the consuls to request the senate to make a *senatusconsultum* for the appointment of persons to frame a new legislation; and during the discussions on this subject the tribunes themselves were present in the senate. The written legislation which the tribunes then wished can only have related to their own order; but as such a legislation would only have widened the breach between the two orders, they afterwards gave way to the remonstrances of the patricians, and the new legislation was to embrace both orders. From the second deconviriate the tribuneship was suspended, but was restored after the legislation was completed, and now assumed a different character from the change that had taken place in the tribes. [TRIBUNUS.] The tribunes now had the right to be present at the deliberations of the senate; but they did not sit among the senators themselves, but upon benches before the opened doors of the senate-house. The inviolability of the tribunes, which had before only rested upon a contract between the two estates, was now sanctioned

and confirmed by a law of M. Horatius. As the tribes now also included the patricians and their clients, the tribunes might naturally be asked to interpose on behalf of any citizen whether patrician or plebeian. Hence the patrician ex-decenvir, Appius Claudius, implored the protection of the tribunes. About this time the tribunes also acquired the right of taking the auspices in the assemblies of the tribes. They also assumed again the right, which they had exercised before the time of the decemvirate, of bringing patricians who had violated the rights of the plebeians before the comitia of the tribes. By the Lex Valeria passed in the Comitia Centuriata (B.C. 449), it was enacted that a plebiscitum, which had been voted by the tribes, should bind the patricians as well. While the college thus gained outwardly new strength every day, a change took place in its internal organization, which to some extent paralyzed its powers. Before B.C. 394, every thing had been decided in the college by a majority; but about this time, we do not know how, a change was introduced, which made the opposition (*intercessio*) of one tribune sufficient to render a resolution of his colleagues void. This new regulation does not appear in operation till 394 and 393 B.C.; the old one was still applied in B.C. 421 and 415. From their right of appearing in the senate, and of taking part in its discussions, and from their being the representatives of the whole people, they gradually obtained the right of intercession against any action which a magistrate might undertake during the time of his office, and this even without giving any reason for it. Thus we find a tribune preventing a consul from convoking the senate, and preventing the proposal of new laws or elections in the comitia; they interceded against the official functions of the censors; and even against a command issued by the praetor. In the same manner a tribune might place his veto upon an ordinance of the senate and he could thus either compel the senate to submit the subject to a fresh consideration, or could raise the session. In order to propose a measure to the senate they might themselves convene a meeting, or when it had been convened by a consul they might make their proposal even in opposition to the consul, a right which no other magistrates had in the presence of the consuls. The senate, on the other hand, had itself, in certain cases, recourse to the tribunes. Thus, in B.C. 431, it requested the tribunes to compel the consuls to appoint a dictator, in compliance with a decree of the senate; and the tribunes compelled

the consuls, by threatening them with imprisonment, to appoint A. Postumius Tubertus dictator. From this time forward we meet with several instances in which the tribunes compelled the consuls to comply with the decrees of the senate, *si non essent in auctoritate senatus*, and to execute its commands. In their relation to the senate a change was introduced by the *Plebiscitum Atinium*, which ordained that a tribune, by virtue of his office, should be a senator. When this plebiscitum was made is uncertain; but we know that in B.C. 170 it was not yet in operation. It probably originated with C. Atinius, who was tribune in B.C. 132. But as the quaestorship, at least in later times, was the office which persons held previously to the tribuneship, and as the quaestorship itself conferred upon a person the right of a senator, the law of Atinius was in most cases superfluous.

In their relation to other magistrates we may observe, that the right of intercessio was not confined to stopping a magistrate in his proceedings, but they might even command their viatores to seize a consul or a censor, to imprison him, or to throw him from the Tarpeian rock. When the tribunes brought an accusation against any one before the people, they had the right of *prehensio*, but not the right of *vocatio*; that is, they might command a person to be dragged by their viatores before the comitia, but they could not summon him. They might, as in earlier times, propose a fine to be inflicted upon the person accused before the comitia, but in some cases they dropped this proposal and treated the case as a capital one. The college of tribunes had also the power of making edicts. In cases in which one member of the college opposed a resolution of his colleagues nothing could be done, and the measure was dropped; but this useful check was removed by the example of Tiberius Gracchus, in which a precedent was given for proposing to the people that a tribune obstinately persisting in his veto should be deprived of his office.

From the time of the Hortensian law the power of the tribunes had been gradually rising to such a height that at length it was superior to every other in the state. They had acquired the right of proposing to the comitia tributa or the senate measures on nearly all the important affairs of the state, and it would be endless to enumerate the cases in which their power was manifested. Their proposals were indeed usually made *ex auctoritate senatus*, or had been communicated to and approved by it; but cases in which the people itself had a direct interest, such as a general

legal regulation, granting of the franchise, a change in the duties and powers of a magistrate, and others, might be brought before the people, without their having previously communicated to the senate, though there are also instances of the contrary. Subjects belonging to the administration could not be brought before the tribes without the tribunes having previously received through the consuls the auctoritas of the senate. This, however, was done very frequently, and hence we have mention of a number of plebiscita on matters of administration. It sometimes even occurs that the tribunes brought the question concerning the conclusion of peace before the tribes, and then compelled the senate to ratify the resolution, as expressing the wish of the whole people. Sulla, in his reform of the constitution on the early aristocratic principles, left to the tribunes only the *jus auxilii*, and deprived them of the right of making legislative or other proposals, either to the senate or the comitia, without having previously obtained the sanction of the senate. But this arrangement did not last, for Pompey restored to them their former rights.

During the latter period of the republic, when the office of quaestor was in most cases held immediately before that of tribune, the tribunes were generally elected from among the senators, and this continued to be the case under the empire. Sometimes, however, equites also obtained the office, and thereby became members of the senate, where they were considered of equal rank with the quaestors. Tribunes of the people continued to exist down to the fifth century of our era, though their powers became naturally much limited, especially in the reign of Nero. They continued however to have the right of intercession against decrees of the senate, and on behalf of injured individuals.

4. **TRIBUNI MILITUM CUM CONSULARI POTESTATE.** When in B. C. 445 the tribune C. Canuleius brought forward the rogation that the consulship should not be confined to either order, the patricians evaded the attempt by a change in the constitution; the powers which had hitherto been united in the consulship were now divided between two new magistracies, viz., the *Tribuni militum cum consulari potestate* and the censors. Consequently, in B. C. 444, three military tribunes, with consular power, were appointed, and to this office the plebeians were to be equally eligible with the patricians. For the years following, however, the people were to be at liberty, on the proposal of the senate, to decide whether consuls were to be elected according to the old custom, or consular tri-

bunes. Henceforth, for many years, sometimes consuls and sometimes consular tribunes were appointed, and the number of the latter varied from three to four, until in B. C. 405 it was increased to six, and as the censors were regarded as their colleagues, we have sometimes mention of eight tribunes. At last, however, in B. C. 367, the office of these tribunes was abolished by the Licinian law, and the consulship was restored. These consular tribunes were elected in the comitia of the centuries, and undoubtedly with less solemn auspices than the consuls.

5. **TRIBUNI MILITARES** (χιλίαρχοι) were officers in the Roman armies. Their number in a legion was originally four, and they were appointed by the generals themselves. In B. C. 363, it was decreed that henceforth six of these military tribunes should always be appointed in the comitia, probably the comitia of the centuries. Those who were appointed by the consuls were distinguished from those elected by the people (*comitiiati*) by the name of *Ruffuli*. The number of tribunes in each legion was subsequently increased to six, and their appointment was sometimes left altogether to the consuls and praetors, though subsequently we find again that part of them were appointed by the people. Their duties consisted in keeping order among the soldiers in the camp, in superintending their military exercises, inspecting outposts and sentinels, procuring provisions, settling disputes among soldiers, superintending their health, &c.

TRIBUS (φύλον, φυλή), a tribe. 1. **GREEK.** In the earliest times of Greek history mention is made of people being divided into tribes and clans. Homer speaks of such divisions in terms which seem to imply that they were elements that entered into the composition of every community. A person not included in any clan (*ἄφρογῶρ*), was regarded as a vagrant or outlaw. These divisions were rather natural than political, depending on family connection, and arising out of those times, when each head of a family exercised a patriarchal sway over its members. The bond was cemented by religious communion, sacrifices and festivals, which all the family or clansmen attended, and at which the chief usually presided.

Of the Dorian race there were originally three tribes, traces of which are found in all the countries which they colonized. Hence they are called by Homer Δωριεῖς τριχάκες. These tribes were the *Hylleis* (Ἰλλεῖς), *Pamphyli* (Πάμφυλοι), and *Dymanatae* or *Dymanes* (Δυμανάται or Δυμάνες). The first derived their name from Hyllus, son of Hercules, the

two last from Pamphylus and Dymas, who are said to have fallen in the last expedition when the Dorians took possession of the Peloponnesus. The Hyllæan tribe was perhaps the one of highest dignity; but at Sparta there does not appear to have been much distinction, for all the freemen there were by the constitution of Lycurgus on a footing of equality. To these three tribes others were added in different places, either when the Dorians were joined by other foreign allies, or when some of the old inhabitants were admitted to the rank of citizenship or equal privileges. Thus the Cadmean Aegæids are said by Herodotus to have been a great tribe at Sparta, descended (as he says) from Aegæus, grandson of Theras, though others have thought they were incorporated with the three Doric tribes.

The subdivision of tribes into *phratræ* (φρατρίαι) or *patræ* (πάτραι), *gene* (γένη), *trittyes* (τρίττνες), &c. appears to have prevailed in various places. At Sparta each tribe contained ten *obæ* (ὀβæ), a word denoting a local division or district; each *obæ* contained ten *triades* (τριάδες), communities containing thirty families. But very little appears to be known of these divisions, how far they were local, or how far genealogical. After the time of Cleomenes the old system of tribes was changed; and new ones were created corresponding to the different quarters of the town, and they seem to have been five in number.

The first Attic tribes that we read of are said to have existed in the reign, or soon after the reign, of Cecrops, and were called *Cecropis* (Κεκροπίς), *Autochthon* (Αὐτόχθων), *Actæa* (Ἀκταία), and *Paralia* (Παραλία). In the reign of a subsequent king, Cranaus, these names were changed to *Cranæis* (Κραναίς), *Atthis* (Ἀθθίς), *Mesogæa* (Μεσόγαια), and *Diacris* (Διακρίς). Afterwards we find a new set of names; *Dias* (Διάς), *Athenais* (Ἀθηναίς), *Poseidonias* (Ποσειδωνιάς), and *Hephaestias* (Ἡφαίστιας); evidently derived from the deities who were worshipped in the country. Some of those secondly mentioned, if not all of them, seem to have been geographical divisions; and it is not improbable that, if not independent communities, they were at least connected by a very weak bond of union. But all these tribes were superseded by four others, which were probably founded soon after the Ionic settlement in Attica, and seem to have been adopted by other Ionic colonies out of Greece. The names *Geleontes* (Γελέοντες), *Hoplites* (Ὀπλητες), *Argades* (Ἀργάδεις), *Aegicores* (Αἰγικορεῖς), are said by Herodotus to have been derived from the sons of Ion, son of Xuthus. Upon this, however,

many doubts have been thrown by modern writers. The etymology of the last three names would seem to suggest, that the tribes were so called from the occupations which their respective members followed; the *Hoplites* being the armed men, or warriors; the *Argades*, labourers or husbandmen; the *Aegicores*, goatherds or shepherds. But whatever be the truth with respect to the origin of these tribes, one thing is certain, that before the time of Theseus, whom historians agree in representing as the great founder of the Attic commonwealth, the various people who inhabited the country continued to be disunited and split into factions.

Theseus in some measure changed the relations of the tribes to each other, by introducing a gradation of ranks in each; dividing the people into *Eupatridæ* (Εὐπατρίδαι), *Geomori* (Γεωμόροι), and *Demiurgi* (Δημιουργοί), of whom the first were nobles, the second agriculturists or yeomen, the third labourers and mechanics. At the same time, in order to consolidate the national unity, he enlarged the city of Athens, with which he incorporated several smaller towns, made it the seat of government, encouraged the nobles to reside there, and surrendered a part of the royal prerogative in their favour. The tribes or phylæ were divided, either in the age of Theseus or soon after, each into three *phratræ* (φρατρίαι, a term equivalent to fraternities, and analogous in its political relation to the Roman *curiæ*), and each *phratría* into thirty *gene* (γένη, equivalent to the Roman *Gentes*), the members of a *genos* (γένος) being called *gennetai* (γεννήται) or *homogalactes* (ὁμογαλάκτες). Each *genos* was distinguished by a particular name of a patronymic form, which was derived from some hero or mythic ancestor. These divisions, though the names seem to import family connection, were in fact artificial; which shows that some advance had now been made towards the establishment of a closer political union. The members of the *phratræ* and *gene* had their respective religious rites and festivals, which were preserved long after these communities had lost their political importance, and perhaps prevented them from being altogether dissolved.

After the age of Theseus, the monarchy having been first limited and afterwards abolished, the whole power of the state fell into the hands of the *Eupatridæ* or nobles, who held all civil offices, and had besides the management of religious affairs, and the interpretation of the laws. Attica became agitated by feuds, and we find the people, shortly before the legislation of Solon, divided into three

parties, *Pediæi* (Πεδίατοι) or lowlanders, *Diacrii* (Διάκριτοι) or highlanders, and *Parali* (Παραλίοι) or people of the sea-coast. The first two remind us of the ancient division of tribes, *Mesogæa* and *Diacris*; and the three parties appear in some measure to represent the classes established by Theseus, the first being the nobles, whose property lay in the campaign and most fertile part of the country; the second, the smaller land-owners and shepherds; the third, the trading and mining class, who had by this time risen in wealth and importance. To appease their discords, Solon was applied to; and thereupon framed his celebrated constitution and code of laws. Here we have only to notice that he retained the four tribes as he found them, but abolished the existing distinctions of *rank*, or at all events greatly diminished their importance, by introducing his property qualification, or division of the people into *Pentacosiomedimni* (Πεντακοσιομέδωνοι), *Hippeis* (ἵππεις), *Zeugetæ* (Ζευγίται), and *Thetes* (Θῆτες). [CENSUS, GREEK.] The enactments of Solon continued to be the law at Athens, though in great measure suspended by the tyranny, until the democratic reform effected by Clisthenes. He abolished the old tribes, and created ten new ones, according to a geographical division of Attica, and named after ten of the ancient heroes: *Erechtheis*, *Aegæis*, *Pandionis*, *Leontis*, *Acamantis*, *Oeneis*, *Cecropis*, *Hippothontis*, *Aeantis*, *Antiochis*. These tribes were divided each into ten *demi* (δῆμοι), the number of which was afterwards increased by subdivision; but the arrangement was so made that several *demi* not contiguous or near to one another were joined to make up a tribe. [DEMUS.] The object of this arrangement was, that by the breaking of old associations a perfect and lasting revolution might be effected, in the habits and feelings, as well as the political organization of the people. He allowed the ancient *phratræ* to exist, but they were deprived of all political importance. All foreigners admitted to the citizenship were registered in a phyle and demus, but not in a phratra or genos.

The functions which had been discharged by the old tribes were now mostly transferred to the *demi*. Among others, we may notice that of the forty-eight *naucrariæ* into which the old tribes had been divided for the purpose of taxation, but which now became useless, the taxes being collected on a different system. The reforms of Clisthenes were destined to be permanent. They continued to be in force (with some few interruptions) until the downfall of Athenian independence. The ten tribes were blended with the whole

machinery of the constitution. Of the senate of five hundred, fifty were chosen from each tribe. The allotment of dicasts was according to tribes; and the same system of election may be observed in most of the principal offices of state, judicial and magisterial, civil and military, &c. In B. C. 307, Demetrius Poliorcetes increased the number of tribes to twelve by creating two new ones, namely, *Antigonias* and *Demetrias*, which afterwards received the names of *Ptolemais* and *Attalis*; and a thirteenth was subsequently added by Hadrian, bearing his own name.

2. ROMAN. The three ancient Romulan tribes, the Ramnes, Tities, and Luceres, or the Ramnenses, Titienses, and Lucerenses, to which the patricians alone belonged, must be distinguished from the thirty plebeian tribes of Servius Tullius, which were entirely local, four for the city, and twenty-six for the country around Rome. The history and organization of the three ancient tribes are spoken of under PATRICII. They continued of political importance almost down to the period of the decemviral legislation; but after this time they no longer occur in the history of Rome, except as an obsolete institution.

The institution and organization of the thirty plebeian tribes, and their subsequent reduction to twenty by the conquests of Porsena, are spoken of under PLEBES. The four city tribes were called by the same names as the regions which they occupied, viz. *Suburana*, *Esquilina*, *Collina* and *Palatina*. The names of the sixteen country tribes which continued to belong to Rome after the conquest of Porsena, are in their alphabetical order as follows: *Aemilia*, *Camilia*, *Cluentia*, *Cornelia*, *Fabia*, *Galeria*, *Horatia*, *Lemonia*, *Menenia*, *Papiria*, *Polia*, *Pupinia*, *Romilia*, *Sergia*, *Veturia*, and *Volturnia*. As Rome gradually acquired possession of more of the surrounding territory, the number of tribes also was gradually increased. When Appius Claudius, with his numerous train of clients, emigrated to Rome, lands were assigned to them in the district where the Anio flows into the Tiber, and a new tribe, the *tribus Claudia*, was formed. This tribe was subsequently enlarged, and was then designated by the name *Crustumina* or *Clustumina*. This name is the first instance of a country tribe being named after a place, for the sixteen older ones all derived their name from persons or heroes. In B. C. 387, the number of tribes was increased to twenty-five by the addition of four new ones, viz. the *Stellatina*, *Tromentina*, *Sabatina*, and *Arniensis*. In B. C. 358 two more, the *Pompina* and *Publia* were formed of Volscians. In B. C. 332, the censors Q

Publius Philo and Sp. Postumius increased the number of tribes to twenty-nine, by the addition of the *Mæcia* and *Scaptia*. In B. C. 318 the *Ufentina* and *Falerina* were added. In B. C. 299 two others, the *Aniensis* and *Terentina*, were added by the censors, and at last, in B. C. 241, the number of tribes was augmented to thirty-five, by the addition of the *Quirina* and *Velina*. Eight new tribes were added upon the termination of the Social War, to include the *Socii*, who then obtained the Roman franchise; but they were afterwards incorporated among the old 35 tribes, which continued to be the number of the tribes to the end of the republic. When the tribes, in their assemblies, transacted any business, a certain order (*ordo tribuum*) was observed, in which they were called upon to give their votes. The first in the order of succession was the *Suburana*, and the last the *Arniensis*. Any person belonging to a tribe had in important documents to add to his own name that of his tribe, in the ablative case.

Whether the local tribes, as they were established by the constitution of Servius Tullius, contained only the plebeians, or included the patricians also, is a point on which the opinions of modern scholars are divided: but it appears most probable that down to the decemviral legislation the tribes and their assemblies were entirely plebeian. From the time of the decemviral legislation, the patricians and their clients were undoubtedly incorporated in the tribes. Respecting the assemblies of the tribes, see *COMITIA TRIBUTA*.

TRIBUTUM, a tax which was partly applied to cover the expenses of war, and partly those of the fortifications of the city. The usual amount of the tax was one for every thousand of a man's fortune, though in the time of Cato it was raised to three in a thousand. The tributum was not a property tax in the strict sense of the word, for the accounts respecting the plebeian debtors clearly imply, that the debts were not deducted in the valuation of a person's property, so that he had to pay the tributum upon property which was not his own, but which he owed, and for which he had consequently to pay the interest as well. It was a direct tax upon objects without any regard to their produce, like a land or house-tax, which indeed formed the main part of it. That which seems to have made it most oppressive, was its constant fluctuation. It was raised according to the regions or tribes instituted by Servius Tullius, and by the tribes of these tribes, subsequently called *tribuni aerarii*. It was

not, like the other branches of the public revenue, let out to farm, but being fixed in money it was raised by the tribunes, unless (as was the case after the custom of giving pay to the soldiers was introduced) the soldiers, like the knights, demanded it from the persons themselves who were bound to pay it. [*AES EQUESTRE* and *HORDEARIUM*.] When this tax was to be paid, what sum was to be raised, and what portion of every thousand asses of the census, were matters upon which the senate had to decide alone. But when it was decreed, the people might refuse to pay it when they thought it too heavy, or unfairly distributed, or hoped to gain some other advantage by the refusal. In later times the senate sometimes left its regulation to the censors, who often fixed it very arbitrarily. No citizen was exempt from it, but we find that the priests, augurs, and pontiffs made attempts to get rid of it; but this was only an abuse, which did not last. After the war with Macedonia (B. C. 147), when the Roman treasury was filled with the revenues accruing from conquests and from the provinces, the Roman citizens became exempted from paying the tributum, and this state of things lasted down to the consulship of Hirtius and Pansa (43 B. C.), when the tributum was again levied, on account of the exhausted state of the aerarium. After this time it was imposed according to the discretion of the emperors.

Respecting the tributum paid by conquered countries and cities, see *VECTIGALIA*.

TRICLINIUM, the dining-room of a Roman house, the position of which, relatively to the other parts of the house, is seen in the "house of the Tragic poet" (see p. 126). It was of an oblong shape, and was twice as long as it was broad.

A *triclinium* generally contained three couches, and as the usual number of persons occupying each couch was three, the triclinium afforded accommodation for a party of nine. Sometimes, however, as many as four lay on each of the couches. Each man in order to feed himself lay flat upon his breast or nearly so, and stretched out his hand towards the table; but afterwards, when his hunger was satisfied, he turned upon his left side, leaning on his elbow. To this Horace alludes in describing a person sated with a particular dish, and turning in order to repose upon his elbow.

We find the relative positions of two persons who lay next to one another, commonly expressed by the prepositions *super*, or *supra*, and *infra*. A passage of Livy, in which he relates the cruel conduct of the consul L.

Quintus Flaminius, shows that *infra aliquem cubare* was the same as in *sinu alicujus cubare*, and consequently that each person was considered as *below* him to whose breast his own head approached. On this principle we are enabled to explain the denominations both of the three couches, and of the three places on each couch.

		lectus medius				
		imus	medius	summus		
lectus imus	summus	6	5	4	imus	lectus summus
	medius	7	8	3	medius	
	imus	9		1	summus	

Supposing the annexed arrangement to represent the plan of a triclinium, it is evident that, as each guest reclined on his left side, the countenances of all when in this position were directed, first, from No. 1 towards No. 3, then from No. 4 towards No. 6, and lastly, from No. 7 towards No. 9; that the guest No. 1 lay, in the sense explained, *above* No. 2, No. 3 *below* No. 2, and so of the rest; and that, going in the same direction, the couch to the right hand was *above* the others, and the couch to the left hand *below* the others. It will be found, that in a passage in the eighth satire of the second book of Horace, the guests are enumerated in the order of their accubation—an order exhibited in the annexed diagram.

	Vibullius Maeconius Servilius	
Nomentanus Nasidienus Porcius	Mensa.	Varius Viscus Fundanius

TRIDENS. [FUSCINA.]

TRIENS. [As.]

TRIERARCHIA (τριηραρχία), one of the extraordinary war services or liturgies at Athens, the object of which was to provide for the equipment and maintenance of the ships of war belonging to the state. The persons who were charged with it were called trierarchs (τριηραρχοι), as being the captains of triemes, though the name was also applied to persons who bore the same charge in other vessels. It existed from very early times in

connection with the forty-eight naucraries of Solon, and the fifty of Clisthenes: each of which corporations appears to have been obliged to equip and man a vessel. [NAUCRARIA.] Under the constitution of Clisthenes the ten tribes were at first severally charged with five vessels. This charge was of course superseded by the later forms of the trierarchy. The state furnished the ship, and either the whole or part of the ship's rigging and furniture, and also pay and provisions for the sailors. The trierarchs were bound to keep in repair the ship and its furniture, and were frequently put to great expense in paying the sailors and supplying them with provisions, when the state did not supply sufficient money for the purpose. Moreover, some trierarchs, whether from ambitious or patriotic motives, put themselves to unnecessary expense in fitting out and rigging their ships, from which the state derived an advantage.

The average expense of the trierarchy was 50 minae.

In ancient times one person bore the whole charge of the trierarchy, afterwards it was customary for two persons to share it, who were then called *syntrierarchs* (συντρίηραρχοι). When this practice was first introduced is not known, but it was perhaps about the year 412 B. C., after the defeat of the Athenians in Sicily, when the union of two persons for the choregia was first permitted. The syntrierarchy, however, did not entirely supersede the older and single form, being only meant as a relief in case of emergency, when there was not a sufficient number of wealthy citizens to bear the expense singly. In the case of a syntrierarchy the two trierarchs commanded their vessel in turn, six months each, according as they agreed between themselves.

The third form of the trierarchy was connected with, or suggested by, the syntrierarchy. In B. C. 358, the Athenians were unable to procure a sufficient number of legally appointed trierarchs, and accordingly they summoned volunteers. This, however, was but a temporary expedient; and as the actual system was not adequate to the public wants, they determined to manage the trierarchy somewhat in the same way as the property taxes (*eisphora*), namely, by classes or symmoriae, according to the law of Pericles passed in B. C. 358, and which was the primary and original enactment on the subject. With this view 1200 *synteleis* (συντελεῖς) or partners were appointed, who were probably the wealthiest individuals of the state, according to the census or valuation. These were

divided into 20 *symmoriae* (*συμμορίαί*) or classes; out of which a number of persons (*σώματα*) joined for the equipment or rather the maintenance and management of a ship, under the title of a *synteleia* (*συντέλεια*) or union. To every ship there was generally assigned a *synteleia* of fifteen persons of different degrees of wealth, as we may suppose, so that four ships only were provided for by each *symmoria* of sixty persons.

It appears, however, that before Demosthenes carried a new law on this subject (B. C. 340), it had been customary for sixteen persons to unite in a *synteleia* or company for a ship, who bore the burden in equal shares. This being the case, it follows either that the members of the *symmoriae* had been by that time raised from 1200 to 1280, or that some alterations had taken place in their internal arrangements, of which no account has come down to us. The superintendence of the whole system was in the hands of the 300 wealthiest members, who were therefore called the "leaders of the *symmoriae*," (*ἡγέμονες τῶν συμμοριῶν*), on whom the burdens of the trierarchy chiefly fell, or rather ought to have fallen. The services performed by individuals under this system appear to have been the same as before: the state still provided the ship's tackle, and the only duty then of the trierarchs under this system was to keep their vessels in the same repair and order as they received them. But even from this they managed to escape; for the wealthiest members, who had to serve for their *synteleia*, let out their trierarchies for a talent, and received that amount from their partners (*συντελείς*), so that in reality they paid next to nothing, or, at any rate, not what they ought to have done considering that the trierarchy was a ground of exemption from other liturgies. To remedy these abuses Demosthenes carried a law when he was the *ἐπιστάτης τοῦ ναυτικοῦ*, or the superintendent of the Athenian navy, thereby introducing the *Fourth form* of the trierarchy. The provisions of the law were as follow: The naval services required from every citizen were to depend upon and be proportional to his property, or rather to his taxable capital, as registered for the *symmoria* of the property taxes, the rate being one trireme for every ten talents of taxable capital, up to three triremes and one auxiliary vessel (*ὑπέρστιον*) for the largest properties; i. e. no person, however rich, could be required to furnish more. Those who had not ten talents in taxable capital were to club together in *synteleiae* till they had made up that amount. By this law great changes were effected. All persons paying

taxes were rated in proportion to their property, so that the poor were benefited by it, and the state likewise: for, as Demosthenes says, those who had formerly contributed one-sixteenth to the trierarchy of one ship were now trierarchs of two, in which case they must either have served by proxy, or done duty in successive years. He adds, that the consequences were highly beneficial.

We do not know the amount of property which rendered a man liable to serve a trierarchy or *syntrierarchy*, but we read of no instance of liability arising from a property of less value than 500 minae.

The appointment to serve under the first and second forms of the trierarchy was made by the strategî, and in case any person was appointed to serve a trierarchy, and thought that any one else (not called upon) was better able to bear it than himself, he offered the latter an exchange of his property [*Ἀντίδοσις*] subject to the burden of the trierarchy.

In cases of extreme hardship, persons became suppliants to the people, or fled to the altar of Diana at Munychia. If not ready in time, they were sometimes liable to imprisonment. On the contrary, whoever got his ship ready first, was to be rewarded with the "crown of the trierarchy;" so that in this way considerable emulation and competition were produced. Moreover, the trierarchs were *ὑπεύθυνοι*, or liable to be called to account for their expenditure; though they applied their own property to the service of the state.

The trierarchy was a ground of exemption from the other liturgies, any of which, indeed, gave an exemption from all the rest during the year next following that of its service.

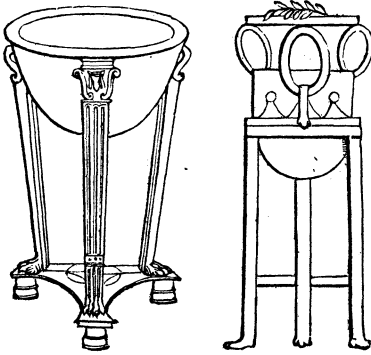
TRINUNDINUM. [NUNDINÆ.]

TRIOBOLON (*τριῶβολον*), the fee of three obols, which the Athenian dicasts received. [DICASTÆ.]

TRIPOS (*τρίπους*), a tripod, i. e. any utensil or article of furniture supported upon three feet. More especially, 1. A three-legged table. 2. A pot or caldron, used for boiling meat, and either raised upon a three-legged stand of bronze, or made with its three feet in the same piece. 3. A bronze altar, not differing probably in its original form from the tall tripod caldron already described. In this form, but with additional ornament, we see it in the left-hand figure in the annexed cut.

The figure on the right hand represents the tripod from which the Pythian priestess at Delphi gave responses. The celebrity of this tripod produced innumerable imitations of it,

which were made to be used in sacrifice, and still more frequently to be presented to the treasury both in that place and in many other Greek temples.



Tripods.

TRIPUDĪUM. [AUSPICIUM.]

TRIEMIS. [NAVIS.]

TRIUMPHUS (θρίαιψος), a solemn procession, in which a victorious general entered the city in a chariot drawn by four horses. He was preceded by the captives and spoils taken in war, was followed by his troops, and after passing in state along the Via Sacra, ascended the capitol to offer sacrifice in the temple of Jupiter.

From the beginning of the republic down to the extinction of liberty a regular triumph (*justus triumphus*) was recognized as the summit of military glory, and was the cherished object of ambition to every Roman general. A triumph might be granted for successful achievements either by land or sea, but the latter were comparatively so rare that we shall for the present defer the consideration of the naval triumph.

After any decisive battle had been won, or a province subdued by a series of successful operations, the imperator forwarded to the senate a laurel-wreathed despatch (*litterae laureatae*), containing an account of his exploits. If the intelligence proved satisfactory, the senate decreed a public thanksgiving. [SUPPLICATIO.] After the war was concluded, the general with his army repaired to Rome, or ordered his army to meet him there on a given day, but did not enter the city. A meeting of the senate was held without the walls, usually in the temple of Bellona or Apollo, that he might have an opportunity of urging his pretensions in person, and these

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were then scrutinized and discussed with the most jealous care. The following rules were for the most part rigidly enforced, although the senate assumed the discretionary power of relaxing them in special cases.

1. That no one could be permitted to triumph unless he had held the office of dictator, of consul, or of praetor. The honours granted to Pompey, who triumphed in his 24th year (B. C. 81) before he had held any of the great offices of state, and again ten years afterwards, while still a simple eques, were altogether unprecedented.

2. That the magistrate should have been actually in office both when the victory was gained and when the triumph was to be celebrated. This regulation was insisted upon only during the earlier ages of the commonwealth. Its violation commenced with Q. Publius Philo, the first person to whom the senate ever granted a *prorogatio imperii* after the termination of a magistracy, and thenceforward proconsuls and propraetors were permitted to triumph without question.

3. That the war should have been prosecuted or the battle fought under the auspices and in the province and with the troops of the general seeking the triumph. Thus if a victory was gained by the legatus of a general who was absent from the army, the honour of it did not belong to the former, but to the latter, inasmuch as he had the auspices.

4. That at least 5000 of the enemy should have been slain in a single battle, that the advantage should have been positive, and not merely a compensation for some previous disaster, and that the loss on the part of the Romans should have been small compared with that of their adversaries. But still we find many instances of triumphs granted for general results, without reference to the numbers slain in any one engagement.

5. That the war should have been a legitimate contest against public foes, and not a civil contest. Hence Catulus celebrated no triumph over Lepidus, nor Antonius over Catiline, nor Cinna and Marius over their antagonists of the Sullan party, nor Caesar after Pharsalia; and when he did subsequently triumph after his victory over the sons of Pompey, it caused universal disgust.

6. That the dominion of the state should have been extended, and not merely something previously lost regained. The absolute acquisition of territory does not appear to have been essential.

7. That the war should have been brought to a conclusion and the province reduced to a state of peace, so as to permit of the army being withdrawn, the presence of the victori-

ous soldiers being considered indispensable in a triumph.

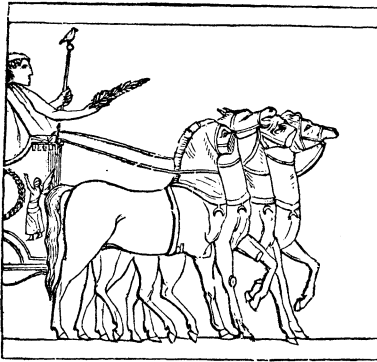
The senate claimed the exclusive right of deliberating upon all these points, and giving or withholding the honour sought, and they for the most part exercised the privilege without question, except in times of great political excitement. The sovereignty of the people, however, in this matter was asserted at a very early date, and a triumph is said to have been voted by the tribes to Valerius and Horatius, the consuls of B. C. 446, in direct opposition to the resolution of the fathers; and in a similar manner to C. Marcius Rutilus, the first plebeian dictator; while L. Postumius Megellus, consul B. C. 294, celebrated a triumph, although resisted by the senate and seven out of the ten tribunes. Nay more, we read of a certain Appius Claudius, consul B. C. 143, who having persisted in celebrating a triumph in defiance of both the senate and people, was accompanied by his daughter (or sister) Claudia, a vestal virgin, and by her interposition saved from being dragged from his chariot by a tribune. A disappointed general, however, seldom ventured to resort to such violent measures, but satisfied himself with going through the forms on the Alban Mount, a practice first introduced by C. Papirius Maso.

If the senate gave their consent, they at the same time voted a sum of money towards defraying the necessary expenses, and one of the tribunes *ex auctoritate senatus* applied for a plebiscitum to permit the emperor to retain his imperium on the day when he entered the city. This last form could not be dispensed with either in an ovation or a triumph, because the imperium conferred by the *comitia curiata* did not include the city itself, and when a general had once gone forth *paludatus*, his military power ceased as soon as he reentered the gates, unless the general law had been previously suspended by a special enactment; and in this manner the resolution of the senate was, as it were, ratified by the plebs. For this reason no one desiring a triumph ever entered the city until the question was decided, since by so doing he would *ipso facto* have forfeited all claim. We have a remarkable example of this in the case of Cicero, who after his return from Cilicia lingered in the vicinity of Rome day after day, and dragged about his lictors from one place to another, without entering the city, in the vain hope of a triumph.

In later times these pageants were marshalled with extraordinary pomp and splendour, and presented a most gorgeous spectacle. Minute details would necessarily be different according to circumstances, but the

general arrangements were as follow. The temples were all thrown open, garlands of flowers decorated every shrine and image, and incense smoked on every altar. Meanwhile the emperor called an assembly of his soldiers, delivered an oration commending their valour, and concluded by distributing rewards to the most distinguished, and a sum of money to each individual, the amount depending on the value of the spoils. He then ascended his triumphal car and advanced to the *Porta Triumphalis*, where he was met by the whole body of the senate headed by the magistrates. The procession then defiled in the following order.

1. The senate headed by the magistrates.
2. A body of trumpeters.
3. A train of chariages and frames laden with spoils, those articles which were especially remarkable either on account of their beauty or rarity being disposed in such a manner as to be seen distinctly by the crowd. Boards were borne aloft on *fercula*, on which were painted in large letters the names of vanquished nations and countries. Here, too, models were exhibited in ivory or wood of the cities and forts captured, and pictures of the mountains, rivers, and other great natural features of the subjugated region, with appropriate inscriptions. Gold and silver in coin or bullion, arms, weapons, and horse furniture of every description, statues, pictures, vases, and other works of art, precious stones, elaborately wrought and richly embroidered stuffs, and every object which could be regarded as valuable or curious.
4. A body of flute players.
5. The white bulls or oxen destined for sacrifice, with gilded horns, decorated with *infulae* and *serta*, attended by the slaughtering priests with their implements, and followed by the *Camilli* bearing in their hands *paterae* and other holy vessels and instruments.
6. Elephants or any other strange animals, natives of the conquered districts.
7. The arms and insignia of the leaders of the foe.
8. The leaders themselves, and such of their kindred as had been taken prisoners, followed by the whole band of inferior captives in fetters.
9. The coronae and other tributes of respect and gratitude bestowed on the emperor by allied kings and states.
10. The lictors of the emperor in single file, their fasces wreathed with laurel.
11. The emperor himself in a circular chariot of a peculiar form, drawn by four horses, which were sometimes, though rarely, white. The circular form of the chariot is seen in the following cut, copied from an ancient marble. He was attired in a gold-embroidered robe (*toga picta*) and flowered tunic (*tunica palmata*): he bore in his right-hand a laurel bough, and in his left a sceptre;



Triumphal Car.

his brows were encircled with a wreath of Delphic bay, in addition to which, in ancient times, his body was painted bright red. He was accompanied in his chariot by his children of tender years, and sometimes by very dear or highly honoured friends, while behind him stood a public slave, holding over his head a golden Etruscan crown ornamented with jewels. The presence of a slave in such a place at such a time seems to have been intended to avert *invidia* and the influence of the evil eye, and for the same purpose a fascinum, a little bell, and a scourge were attached to the vehicle. Tertullian tells us, that the slave ever and anon whispered in the ear of the emperor the warning words *Respice post te, hominem memento te*, but this statement is not confirmed by any earlier writer. 12. Behind the chariot or on the horses which drew it rode the grown-up sons of the emperor, together with the legati, the tribuni, and the equites, all on horseback. 13. The rear was brought up by the whole body of the infantry in marching order, their spears adorned with bay, some shouting *Io Triumpho*, and singing hymns to the gods, while others proclaimed the praises of their leader or indulged in keen sarcasms and coarse ribaldry at his expense, for the most perfect freedom of speech was granted and exercised.

Just as the pomp was ascending the Capitoline hill, some of the hostile chiefs were led aside into the adjoining prison and put to death, a custom so barbarous that we could scarcely believe that it existed in a civilized age, were it not attested by the most unquestionable evidence. Pompey, indeed, refrained from perpetrating this atrocity in his third triumph, and Aurelian on like occasion spared

Zenobia, but these are quoted as exceptions to the general rule. When it was announced that these murders had been completed, the victims were then sacrificed, an offering from the spoils was presented to Jupiter, the bay wreath was deposited in the lap of the god, the emperor was entertained at a public feast along with his friends in the temple, and returned home in the evening preceded by torches and pipes, and escorted by a crowd of citizens.

The whole of the proceedings, generally speaking, were brought to a close in one day; but when the quantity of plunder was very great, and the troops very numerous, a longer period was required for the exhibition, and thus the triumph of Flaminius continued for three days in succession.

But the glories of the emperor did not end with the show, nor even with his life. It was customary (we know not if the practice was invariable) to provide him at the public expense with a site for a house, such mansions being styled *triumphales domus*. After death his kindred were permitted to deposit his ashes within the walls, and bay-wreathed statues standing erect in triumphal cars, displayed in the vestibulum of the family mansion, transmitted his fame to posterity.

A TRIUMPHUS NAVALIS appears to have differed in no respect from an ordinary triumph, except that it must have been upon a smaller scale, and would be characterized by the exhibition of beaks of ships and other nautical trophies. The earliest upon record was granted to C. Duilius, who laid the foundation of the supremacy of Rome by sea in the first Punic war; and so elated was he by his success, that during the rest of his life, whenever he returned home at night from supper, he caused flutes to sound and torches to be borne before him. A second naval triumph was celebrated by Lutatius Catulus for his victory off the *Insulae Aegates*, B. C. 241; a third by Q. Fabius Labeo, A. C. 189, over the Cretans, and a fourth by C. Octavius over King Perseus, without captives and without spoils.

TRIUMPHUS CASTRENSIS was a procession of the soldiers through the camp in honour of a tribunos or some officer inferior to the general, who had performed a brilliant exploit.

After the extinction of freedom, the emperor being considered as the commander-in-chief of all the armies of the state, every military achievement was understood to be performed under his auspices, and hence, according to the forms of even the ancient constitution, he alone had a legitimate claim to

a triumph. This principle was soon fully recognized and acted upon; for although Antonius had granted triumphs to his legati, and his example had been freely followed by Augustus in the early part of his career, yet after the year b. c. 14 he entirely discontinued the practice, and from that time forward triumphs were rarely, if ever, conceded to any except members of the imperial family. But to compensate in some degree for what was then taken away, the custom was introduced of bestowing what were termed *Triumphalia Ornamenta*, that is, permission to receive the titles bestowed upon and to appear in public with the robes worn by the imperatores of the commonwealth when they triumphed, and to bequeath to their descendants triumphal statues. These *triumphalia ornamenta* are said to have been first bestowed upon Agrippa or upon Tiberius, and ever after were a common mark of the favour of the prince.

TRIUMVIRI, or TRE'SVIRI, were either ordinary magistrates or officers, or else extraordinary commissioners, who were frequently appointed at Rome to execute any public office. The following is a list of the most important of both classes.

1. TRIUMVIRI AGRO DIVIDENDO. [TRIUMVIRI COLONIAE DEDUCENDAE.]

2. TRIUMVIRI CAPITALES were regular magistrates, first appointed about b. c. 292. They were elected by the people, the comitia being held by the praetor. They succeeded to many of the functions of the Quaestores Parricidii. [QUAESTOR.] It was their duty to inquire into all capital crimes, and to receive informations respecting such, and consequently they apprehended and committed to prison all criminals whom they detected. In conjunction with the aediles, they had to preserve the public peace, to prevent all unlawful assemblies, &c. They enforced the payment of fines due to the state. They had the care of public prisons, and carried into effect the sentence of the law upon criminals. In these points they resembled the magistracy of the Eleven at Athens.

4. TRIUMVIRI COLONIAE DEDUCENDAE were persons appointed to superintend the formation of a colony. They are spoken of under COLONIA, p. 91. Since they had besides to superintend the distribution of the land to the colonists, we find them also called *Triumviri Coloniae Deducendae Agroque Dividundo*, and sometimes simply *Triumviri Agro Dando*.

5. TRIUMVIRI EPULONES. [EPULONES.]

6. TRIUMVIRI EQUITUM TURMAS RECOGNOSCENDI, or LEGENDIS EQUITUM DECURIIS,

were magistrates first appointed by Augustus to revise the lists of the equites, and to admit persons into the order. This was formerly part of the duties of the censors.

7. TRIUMVIRI MENSARII. [MENSARII.]

8. TRIUMVIRI MONETALES. [MONETA.]

9. TRIUMVIRI NOCTURNI, were magistrates elected annually, whose chief duty it was to prevent fires by night, and for this purpose they had to go round the city during the night (*vigilias circumire*). If they neglected their duty, they appear to have been accused before the people by the tribunes of the plebs. The time at which this office was instituted is unknown, but it must have been previously to the year b. c. 304. Augustus transferred their duties to the Praefectus Vigilum. [PRAEFECTUS VIGILUM.]

10. TRIUMVIRI REFIENDIS AEDIBUS, extraordinary officers elected in the Comitia Tributa in the time of the second Punic war, were appointed for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding certain temples.

11. TRIUMVIRI REIPUBLICAE CONSTITUENDAE. When the supreme power was shared between Caesar (Octavianus), Antony, and Lepidus, they administered the affairs of the state under the title of *Triumviri Reipublicae Constituendae*. This office was conferred upon them in b. c. 43, for five years; and on the expiration of the term, in b. c. 38, was conferred upon them again, in b. c. 37, for five years more. The coalition between Julius Caesar, Pompey, and Crassus, in b. c. 60, is usually called the first triumvirate, and that between Octavianus, Antony, and Lepidus, the second; but it must be borne in mind that the former never bore the title of triumviri, nor were invested with any office under that name, whereas the latter were recognized as regular magistrates under the above-mentioned title.

12. TRIUMVIRI SACRIS CONQUIRENDIS DONISQUE PERSIGNANDIS, extraordinary officers elected in the Comitia Tributa in the time of the second Punic war, seem to have had to take care that all property given or consecrated to the gods was applied to that purpose.

13. TRIUMVIRI SENATUS LEGENDI were magistrates appointed by Augustus to admit persons into the senate. This was previously the duty of the censors.

TROCHUS (τροχός) a hoop. The Greek boys used to exercise themselves, like ours, with trundling a hoop. It was a bronze ring, and had sometimes bells attached to it. It was impelled by means of a hook with a wooden handle called *clavis* and *ἐλατήρ*. From the Greeks this custom passed to the

Romans, who consequently adopted the Greek term. The hoop was used at the Gymnasia, and, therefore, on one of the gems in the Stosch collection at Berlin, which is engraved in the annexed wood-cut, it is accompanied by the jar of oil and the bay branch, the emblems of effort and of victory. On each side of this we have represented another gem from the same collection. Both of these exhibit youths trundling the hoop by means of the hook or key. These show the size of the hoop, which in the middle figure has also three small rings or bells on its circumference.



Trochus, Hoop.

TROJAE LUDUS. [CIRCUS, p. 81.]

TROPAEUM (τρόπαιον, Att. τροπαῖον) a trophy, a sign and memorial of victory, which was erected on the field of battle where the enemy had turned (τρέπω, τροπή) to flight, and in case of a victory gained at sea, on the nearest land. The expression for raising or erecting a trophy, is τροπαῖον στήσαι or στήσασθαι, to which may be added ὑπὸ or κατὰ τῶν πολέμιων.

When the battle was not decisive, or each party considered it had some claims to the victory, both erected trophies. Trophies usually consisted of the arms, shields, helmets, &c. of the enemy that were defeated; and these were placed on the trunk of a tree, which was fixed on some elevation. The trophy was consecrated to some divinity, with an inscription (ἐπιγραφή), recording the names of the victors and of the defeated party; whence trophies were regarded as inviolable, which even the enemy were not permitted to remove. Sometimes, however, a people destroyed a trophy, if they considered that the enemy had erected it without a sufficient cause. That rankling and hostile feelings might not be perpetuated by the continuance of a trophy, it seems to have been originally part of Greek international law that trophies should be made only of wood and not of stone or metal, and that they should not be repaired when decayed. It was not, however, uncommon to erect trophies of metal. Pausanias speaks of several which he saw in Greece.

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The trophies erected to commemorate naval victories were usually ornamented with the beaks or acroteria of ships [ACROTERIUM; ROSTRA]; and were generally consecrated to Poseidon or Neptune. Sometimes a whole ship was placed as a trophy.

The Romans, in early times, never erected any trophies on the field of battle, but carried home the spoils taken in battle, with which they decorated the public buildings, and also the private houses of individuals. [SPOLIA.] Subsequently, however, the Romans adopted the Greek practice of raising trophies on the field of battle; the first trophies of this kind were erected by Domitius Ahenobarbus and Fabius Maximus in B. C. 121, after their conquest of the Allobroges, when they built at the junction of the Rhone and the Isara towers of white stone, upon which trophies were placed adorned with the spoils of the enemy. Pompey also raised trophies on the Pyrenees after his victories in Spain; Julius Caesar did the same near Ziela, after his victory over Pharnaces, and Drusus, near the Elbe, to commemorate his victory over the Germans. Still, however, it was more common to erect some memorial of the victory at Rome than on the field of battle. The trophies raised by Marius to commemorate his victories over Jugurtha and the Cimbri and Teutoni, which were cast down by Sulla,



Tropaeum, Trophy.

and restored by Julius Caesar, must have been in the city. In the later times of the republic, and under the empire, the erection of triumphal arches was the most common way of commemorating a victory, many of which remain to the present day. [ARCUS.]

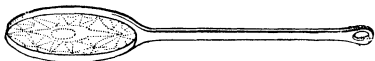
The preceding cut contains a representation of a tropaeum, which Victory is engaged in erecting. The conqueror stands on the other side of the trophy, with his brows encircled with bay.

TROPHIES. [TROPAEUM.]

TROSSULI. [EQUITES, p. 138.]

TROUSERS. [BRACCAE.]

TRUA, *dim.* TRULLA (τρούνη), derived from τρύω, τρώω, &c., to perforate; a large and flat spoon or ladle, pierced with holes; a trowel. The following woodcut represents such a ladle.

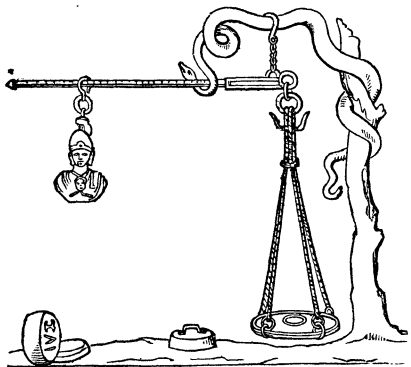


Trua.

The *trulla vinaria* seems to have been a species of colander [COLUM], used as a wine-strainer.

TRUMPET. [BUCCINA; CORNU; LI-
TUS; TUBA.]

TRUTINA (τρούάνη), a general term, including both *libra*, a balance, and *statera*, a steelyard. Payments were originally made by weighing, not by counting. Hence a balance (*trutina*) was preserved in the temple of Saturn at Rome. The following wood-cut represents a remarkably beautiful *statera*, which is preserved in the museum of the Capitol at Rome.



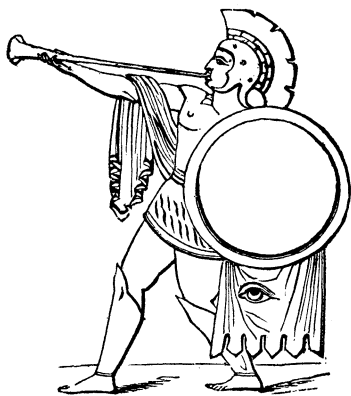
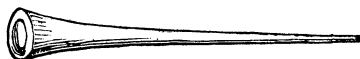
Trutina, Balance.

TUBA (σάλπιγξ), a bronze trumpet, distinguished from the *cornu* by being straight, while the latter was curved.

The tuba was employed in war for signals of every description, at the games and public festivals, and also at the last rites to the dead: those who sounded the trumpet at funerals were termed *situcines*, and used an instrument of a peculiar form. The tones of the tuba are represented as of a harsh and fear-inspiring character.

The invention of the tuba is usually ascribed by ancient writers to the Etruscans. It has been remarked that Homer never introduces the σάλπιγξ in his narrative but in comparisons only, which leads us to infer that, although known in his time, it had been but recently introduced into Greece; and it is certain that, notwithstanding its eminently martial character, it was not until a later period used in the armies of the leading states. By the Greek tragedians its Tuscan origin is fully recognized. According to one account it was first fabricated for the Tyrrhenians by Minerva, who in consequence was worshipped by the Argives under the title of Σάλπιγξ, while at Rome the *tubilistrum*, or purification of sacred trumpets, was performed on the last day of the Quinquatrus. [QUINQUATRUS.]

There appears to have been no essential difference in form between the Greek and Roman or Tyrrhenian trumpets. Both were



Tuba, Trumpet.

long, straight, bronze tubes, gradually increasing in diameter, and terminating in a bell-shaped aperture. They present precisely the same appearance on monuments of very different dates, as may be seen from the cuts annexed.

TUBILU'STRIUM. [QUINQUATRUS.]

TULLIA'NUM. [CARCER.]

TUMULTUA'RIL. [TUMULTUS.]

TUMULTUS, the name given to a sudden or dangerous war in Italy or Cisalpine Gaul, and the word was supposed by the ancients to be a contraction of *timor multus*. It was, however, sometimes applied to a sudden or dangerous war elsewhere; but this does not appear to have been a correct use of the word. Cicero says that there might be a war without a tumultus, but not a tumultus without a war; but it must be recollected that the word was also applied to any sudden alarm respecting a war; whence we find a tumultus often spoken of as of less importance than a war, because the results were of less consequence, though the fear might have been much greater than in a regular war.

In the case of a tumultus there was a cessation from all business (*justitium*), and all citizens were obliged to enlist without regard being had to the exemptions (*vacationes*) from military service which were enjoyed at other times. As there was not time to enlist the soldiers in the regular manner, the magistrate who was appointed to command the army displayed two banners (*vesilla*) from the capitol, one red, to summon the infantry, and the other green, to summon the cavalry, and said *Qui rempublicam salvam vult, me sequatur*. Those that assembled took the military oath together, instead of one by one, as was the usual practice, whence they were called *conjurati*, and their service *conjuratio*. Soldiers enlisted in this way were termed *Tumultuarii* or *Subitarii*.

TUNICA (χιτών, *dim.* χιτωνίσκος, χιτώνιον), an under-garment.

1. GREEK. The chiton was the only kind of ἐνδυμα, or under-garment, worn by the Greeks. Of this there were two kinds, the Dorian and Ionian. The Dorian chiton, as worn by males, was a short woollen shirt, without sleeves; the Ionian was a long linen garment, with sleeves. The former seems to have been originally worn throughout the whole of Greece; the latter was brought over to Greece by the Ionians of Asia. The Ionic chiton was commonly worn at Athens by men during the Persian wars, but it appears to have entirely gone out of fashion for the male sex about the time of Pericles, from which time the Dorian chiton was the under-gar-

ment universally adopted by men through the whole of Greece.

The distinction between the Doric and Ionic chiton still continued in the dress of women. The Spartan virgins only wore this one garment, and had no upper kind of clothing, whence it is sometimes called *Himation* [PALLIUM] as well as *Chiton*. They appeared in the company of men without any farther covering; but the married women never did so without wearing an upper garment. This Doric chiton was made, as stated above, of woollen stuff; it was without sleeves, and was fastened over both shoulders by clasps or buckles (πρόραι, περόναι), which were often of considerable size. It was frequently so short as not to reach the knee. It was only joined together on one side, and on the other was left partly open or slit up (σχιστός χιτών), to allow a free motion of the limbs. The following cut represents an Amazon with a chiton of this kind: some parts of the figure appear incomplete, as the original is mutilated.



Doric Chiton.

The Ionic chiton, on the contrary, was a long and loose garment, reaching to the feet (ποδήρης), with wide sleeves (κόραι), and was usually made of linen. The sleeves, however, appear generally to have covered only the upper part of the arm; for in ancient works of art we seldom find the sleeve extending further than the elbow, and sometimes not so far. The sleeves were sometimes slit up, and fastened together with an elegant row of brooches. The Ionic chiton, according to Herodotus, was originally a Carian dress, and passed over to Athens from Ionia, as has been already remarked. The women at Athens originally wore the Doric chiton, but were compelled to change it for the Ionic, after they had killed with the buckles or

clasps of their dresses the single Athenian who had returned alive from the expedition against Aegina, because there were no buckles or clasps required in the Ionic dress. The annexed cut represents the Muse Thalia wearing an Ionic chiton. The peplum has fallen off her shoulders, and is held up by the left hand.



Ionic Chiton.

Both kinds of dress were fastened round the middle with a girdle, and as the Ionic chiton was usually longer than the body, part of it was drawn up so that the dress might not reach further than the feet, and the part which was so drawn up overhung or overlapped the girdle, and was called *κόλπος*.

There was a peculiar kind of dress, which seems to have been a species of double chiton, called *Diplois* (διπλοῖς), *Diploidion* (διπλοῖδιον), and *Hemidiploidion* (ἡμιδιπλοῖδιον). It appears not to have been a separate article of dress, but merely the upper part of the cloth forming the chiton, which was larger than was required for the ordinary chiton, and was therefore thrown over the front and back. The following cuts will give a clearer idea of the form of this garment than any description.

Since the Diploidion was fastened over the shoulders by means of buckles or clasps, it was called *Epomis* (ἐπωμῖς), which is supposed by some writers to have been only the end of the garment fastened on the shoulder.

The chiton was worn by men next their skin; but females were accustomed to wear a chemise (*χιτώνιον*) under their chiton.

It was the practice among most of the

Greeks to wear an himation, or outer garment, over the chiton but frequently the chiton was



Diploidia, Double Chitons.

worn alone. A person who wore only a chiton was called *μονοχίτων* (*oloxítων* in Homer), an epithet given to the Spartan virgins. In the same way, a person who wore only an himation, or outer garment, was called *ἄχιτων*. The Athenian youths, in the earlier times, wore only the chiton, and when it became the fashion, in the Peloponnesian war, to wear an outer garment over it, it was regarded as a mark of effeminacy.

2. ROMAN. The *Tunica* of the Romans, like the Greek chiton, was a woollen under garment, over which the toga was worn. It was the *Indumentum* or *Indutus*, as opposed to the *Amictus*, the general term for the toga, pallium, or any other outer garment. [AMICTUS.] The Romans are said to have had no other clothing originally but the toga; and when the tunic was first introduced, it was merely a short garment without sleeves, and was called *Colobium*. It was considered a mark of effeminacy for men to wear tunics with long sleeves (*manicatae*) and reaching to the feet (*talares*).

The tunic was girded (*cincta*) with a belt or girdle around the waist, but it was usually worn loose, without being girded, when a person was at home, or wished to be at his ease. Hence we find the terms *cinctus*, *præcinctus*, and *succinctus*, applied, like the Greek *εὐζωνος*, to an active and diligent person, and *discinctus* to one who was idle or dissolute.

The form of the tunic, as worn by men, is represented in many wood-cuts in this work. In works of art it usually terminates a little above the knee; it has short sleeves, covering only the upper part of the arm, and is girded

at the waist (see cuts, pp. 22, 228): the sleeves sometimes, though less frequently, extend to the hands.

Both sexes at Rome usually wore two tunics, an outer and an under, the latter of which was worn next the skin, and corresponds to our shirt and chemise. The under tunics were called *Subucula* and *Indusium*, the former of which is supposed to be the name of the under tunic of the men, and the latter of that of the women: but this is not certain. The word *Interula* was of later origin, and seems to have been applied equally to the under tunic of both sexes. It is doubtful whether the *Supparus* or *Supparum* was an outer or an under garment. Persons sometimes wore several tunics, as a protection against cold: Augustus wore four in the winter, besides a subucula.

As the dress of a man usually consisted of an under tunic, an outer tunic, and the toga, so that of a woman, in like manner, consisted of an under tunic, an outer tunic, and the palla. The outer tunic of the Roman matron was properly called stola [*STOLA*], and is represented in the wood-cut on p. 303; but the annexed wood-cut, which represents a Roman empress in the character of Concordia, or Abundantia, gives a better idea of its form.



Roman Tunic.

Over the tunic or stola the palla is thrown in many folds, but the shape of the former is still distinctly shown.

The tunics of women were larger and longer than those of men, and always had sleeves; but in ancient paintings and statues we sel-

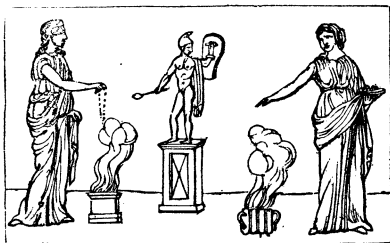
dom find the sleeves covering more than the upper part of the arm. Sometimes the tunics were adorned with golden ornaments called *Leria*.

Poor people, who could not afford to purchase a toga, wore the tunic alone, whence we find the common people called *Tunicati*. A person who wore only his tunic was frequently called *Nudus*.

Respecting the clavus latus and the clavus angustus, worn on the tunics of the senators and equites respectively, see *CLAVUS LATUS*, *CLAVUS ANGUSTUS*.

When a triumph was celebrated, the conqueror wore, together with an embroidered toga (*Toga picta*), a flowered tunic (*Tunica palmata*), also called *Tunica Jovis*, because it was taken from the temple of Jupiter Capitolinus. Tunics of this kind were sent as presents to foreign kings by the senate.

TURIBULUM (*θυμιατήριον*), a censer. The Greeks and Romans, when they sacrificed, commonly took a little frankincense out of the *acerra*, and let it fall upon the flaming altar. More rarely they used a censer, by means of which they burned the incense in greater profusion, and which was in fact a small moveable grate or *foculus*. The following wood-cut, taken from an ancient painting, shows the performance of both of these acts at the same time.



Turibulum, Censer.

TURMA. [*EXERCITUS*, p. 142.]

TURRIS (*πύργος*), a tower. Moveable towers were among the most important engines used in storming a fortified place.

They were generally made of beams and planks, and covered, at least on the three sides which were exposed to the besieged, with iron, not only for protection, but also to increase their weight, and thus make them steadier. They were also covered with raw hides, and quilts, moistened, and sometimes with alum, to protect them from fire. Their height was such as to overtop the walls,

towers, and all other fortifications of the besieged place. They were divided into stories (*tabulata* or *tecta*), and hence they are called *turres contabulatee*.

The sides of the towers were pierced with windows, of which there were several to each story.

The use of the stories was to receive the engines of war (*tormenta*). They contained balistæ and catapults, and slingers and archers were stationed in them and on the tops of the towers. In the lowest story was a battering-ram [*ARIES*]; and in the middle one or more bridges (*pontes*) made of beams and planks, and protected at the sides by hurdles. Scaling-ladders (*scalæ*) were also carried in the towers, and when the missiles had cleared the walls, these bridges and ladders enabled the besiegers to rush upon them.

These towers were placed upon wheels (generally 6 or 8), that they might be brought up to the walls. These wheels were placed for security inside of the tower.

TUTOR. [CURATOR.]

TYMPANUM (*τύμπανον*), a small drum carried in the hand. Of these, some resembled in all respects a modern tambourine with bells. Others presented a flat circular disk on the upper surface and swelled out beneath like a kettle-drum. Both forms are represented in the cuts below. Tympana were



Tympana.

covered with the hides of oxen, or of asses; were beaten with a stick, or with the hand, and were much employed in all wild enthusiastic religious rites, especially the orgies of Bacchus and Cybele.

2. A solid wheel without spokes, for heavy wagons, such as is shown in the cut on p. 251.

TYRANNUS (*τύραννος*). In the heroic age all the governments in Greece were monarchical, the king uniting in himself the functions of the priest, the judge, and military

chief. In the first two or three centuries following the Trojan war various causes were at work, which led to the abolition, or at least to the limitation, of the kingly power. Emigrations, extinctions of families, disasters in war, civil dissensions, may be reckoned among these causes. Hereditary monarchies became elective; the different functions of the king were distributed; he was called *Archon* (*ἄρχων*), *Cosmos* (*κόσμος*), or *Prytanis* (*πρύτανις*), instead of *Basileus* (*βασιλεύς*), and his character was changed no less than his name. Noble and wealthy families began to be considered on a footing of equality with royalty; and thus in process of time sprang up oligarchies or aristocracies, which most of the governments that succeeded the ancient monarchies were in point of fact, though not as yet called by such names. These oligarchies did not possess the elements of social happiness or stability. The principal families contended with each other for the greatest share of power, and were only unanimous in disregarding the rights of those whose station was beneath their own. The people, oppressed by the privileged classes, began to regret the loss of their old paternal form of government; and were ready to assist any one who would attempt to restore it. Thus were opportunities offered to ambitious and designing men to raise themselves, by starting up as the champions of popular right. Discontented nobles were soon found to prosecute schemes of this sort, and they had a greater chance of success, if descended from the ancient royal family. Pisistratus is an example; he was the more acceptable to the people of Athens, as being a descendant of the family of Codrus. Thus in many cities arose that species of monarchy which the Greeks called *tyrannis* (*τυραννίς*), which meant only a *despotism*, or irresponsible dominion of one man; and which frequently was nothing more than a revival of the ancient government, and, though unaccompanied with any recognized hereditary title, or the reverence attached to old name and long prescription, was hailed by the lower orders of people as a good exchange, after suffering under the domination of the oligarchy. All *tyrannies*, however, were not so acceptable to the majority; and sometimes we find the nobles concurring in the elevation of a despot, to further their own interests. Thus the Syracusan *Gomori*, who had been expelled by the populace, on receiving the protection of Gelon, sovereign of Gela and Camarina, enabled him to take possession of Syracuse, and establish his kingdom there. Sometimes the conflicting parties in the state, by mutual con-

sent, chose some eminent man, in whom they had confidence, to reconcile their dissensions; investing him with a sort of dictatorial power for that purpose, either for a limited period or otherwise. Such a person they called *Aesymnetes* (ἀεισυνήτης).

The *tyrannus* must be distinguished, on the one hand, from the *aesymnetes*, inasmuch as he was not elected by general consent, but commonly owed his elevation to some violent movement or stratagem, such as the creation of a body-guard for him by the people, or the seizure of the citadel; and on the other hand, from the ancient king, whose right depended, not on usurpation, but on inheritance and traditional acknowledgment. The power of a king might be more absolute than that of a *tyrant*; as Phidon of Argos is said to have made the royal prerogative greater than it was under his predecessors; yet he was still regarded as a king; for the difference between the two names depended on title and origin, and not on the manner in which the power was exercised. The name of *tyrant* was originally so far from denoting a person who abused his power, or treated his subjects with cruelty, that Pisistratus is praised for the moderation of his government. Afterwards, when *tyrants* themselves had become odious, the name also grew to be a word of reproach, just as *rex* did among the Romans.

Among the early *tyrants* of Greece those most worthy of mention are; Clisthenes of Sicyon, grandfather of the Athenian Clisthenes, in whose family the government continued for a century since its establishment by Orthagoras, about B. C. 672; Cypselus of Corinth, who expelled the Bacchiadae, B. C. 656, and his son Priander, both remarkable for their cruelty; their dynasty lasted between seventy and eighty years; Procles of Epidaurus; Pantaleon of Pisa, who celebrated the thirty-fourth Olympiad, depriving the Eleans of the presidency; Theagenes of Megara, father-in-law to Cylon the Athenian; Pisistratus, whose sons were the last of the early *tyrants* on the Grecian continent. In Sicily, where *tyranny* most flourished, the principal were Phalaris of Agrigentum, who established his power in B. C. 568; Theron of Agrigentum; Gelon, already mentioned, who, in conjunction with Theron, defeated Hamilcar the Carthaginian, on the same day on which the battle of Salamis was fought; and Hieron, his brother; the last three celebrated by Pindar. The following also are worthy of notice: Polycrates of Samos; Lygdamis of Naxos; Histiaeus and Aristagoras of Miletus. Perhaps the last mentioned can hardly be classed among the *Greek ty-*

rants, as they were connected with the Persian monarchy.

The general characteristics of a *tyranny*, were, that it was bound by no laws, and had no recognized limitation to its authority, however it might be restrained in practice by the good disposition of the *tyrant* himself, or by fear, or by the spirit of the age. It was commonly most odious to the wealthy and noble, whom the *tyrant* looked upon with jealousy as a check upon his power, and whom he often sought to get rid of by sending them into exile or putting them to death. The *tyrant* usually kept a body-guard of foreign mercenaries, by aid of whom he controlled the people at home; but he seldom ventured to make war, for fear of giving an opportunity to his subjects to revolt.

The causes which led to the decline of *tyranny* among the Greeks were partly the degeneracy of the *tyrants* themselves, corrupted by power, indolence, flattery, and bad education; for even where the father set a good example, it was seldom followed by the son; partly the cruelties and excesses of particular men, which brought them all into disrepute; and partly the growing spirit of inquiry among the Greek people, who began to speculate upon political theories, and soon became discontented with a form of government, which had nothing in theory, and little in practice, to recommend it. Few dynasties lasted beyond the third generation. Most of the tyrannies, which flourished before the Persian war, are said to have been overthrown by the exertions of Sparta, jealous, probably, of any innovation upon the old Doric constitution, especially of any tendency to ameliorate the condition of the Perioeci, and anxious to extend her own influence over the states of Greece by means of the benefits which she conferred. Upon the fall of *tyranny*, the various republican forms of government were established, the Dorian states generally favouring oligarchy, the Ionian democracy.

Of the tyrants of a later period, the most celebrated are the two Dionysii. The corruption of the Syracusans, their intestine discords, and the fear of the Carthaginian invaders, led to the appointment of Dionysius to the chief military command, with unlimited powers; by means of which he raised himself to the throne, B. C. 406, and reigned for 38 years, leaving his son to succeed him. The younger Dionysius, far inferior in every respect to his father, was expelled by Dion, afterwards regained the throne, and was again expelled by Timoleon, who restored liberty to the various states of Sicily.

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VACATIO. [EXERCITUS, p. 145; EME-RTI.]

VADIMONIUM, VAS. [ACTIO; PRAES.]

VAGINA. [GLADIUS.]

VALLUM, a term applied either to the whole or a portion of the fortifications of a Roman camp. It is derived from *vallus* (a stake), and properly means the palisade which ran along the outer edge of the agger, but it very frequently includes the agger also. The *vallum*, in the latter sense, together with the *fossa* or ditch which surrounded the camp outside of the *vallum*, formed a complete fortification.

The *valli* (χάρακες), of which the *vallum*, in the former and more limited sense, was composed, are described by Polybius and Livy, who make a comparison between the *vallum* of the Greeks and that of the Romans, very much to the advantage of the latter. Both used for *valli* young trees or arms of larger trees, with the side branches on them; but the *valli* of the Greeks were much larger and had more branches than those of the Romans, which had either two or three, or at the most four branches, and these generally on the same side. The Greeks placed their *valli* in the agger at considerable intervals, the spaces between them being filled up by the branches; the Romans fixed theirs close together, and made the branches interlace, and sharpened their points carefully. Hence the Greek *vallus* could easily be taken hold of by its large branches and pulled from its place, and when it was removed a large opening was left in the *vallum*. The Roman *vallus*, on the contrary, presented no convenient handle, required very great force to pull it down, and even if removed left a very small opening. The Greek *valli* were cut on the spot; the Romans prepared theirs beforehand, and each soldier carried three or four of them when on a march. They were made of any strong wood, but oak was preferred.

The word *vallus* is sometimes used as equivalent to *vallum*.

In the operations of a siege, when the place could not be taken by storm, and it became necessary to establish a blockade, this was done by drawing defences similar to those of a camp round the town, which was then said to be *circumvallatum*. Such a circumvallation, besides cutting off all communication between the town and the surrounding country, formed a defence against the sallies of the besieged. There was often a double line of fortifications, the inner against the town, and the outer against a force that might at-

tempt to raise the siege. In this case the army was encamped between the two lines of works.

This kind of circumvallation, which the Greeks called ἀποτειχισμός and περιτειχισμός, was employed by the Peloponnesians in the siege of Plataeae. Their lines consisted of two walls (apparently of turf) at the distance of 16 feet, which surrounded the city in the form of a circle. Between the walls were the huts of the besiegers. The wall had battlements (ἐπάλξεις), and at every tenth battlement was a tower, filling up by its depth the whole space between the walls. There was a passage for the besiegers through the middle of each tower. On the outside of each wall was a ditch (τάρφος). This description would almost exactly answer for the Roman mode of circumvallation, of which some of the best examples are that of Carthage by Scipio, that of Numantia by Scipio, and that of Alesia by Caesar. The towers in such lines were similar to those used in attacking fortified places, but not so high, and of course not moveable. [TURRIS.]

VALVAE. [JANUA.]

VANNUS (λικμός, λίκνον), a winnowing-van, i. e. a broad basket, into which the corn mixed with chaff was received after thrashing, and was then thrown in the direction of the wind. Virgil dignifies this simple implement by calling it *mystica vannus Iacchi*. The rites of Bacchus, as well as those of Ceres, having a continual reference to the occupations of rural life, the vannus was borne in the procession celebrated in honour of both these divinities. In the cut annexed the infant Bacchus is carried in a vannus by two dancing bacchantes clothed in skins.



Bacchus carried in a Vannus.

UDO, a sock of goats-hair or felt, worn by countrymen with the low boots, called *perones*. [PERO.]

VECTIGALIA, the general term for all the regular revenues of the Roman state. It means anything which is brought (*vehitur*) into the public treasury, like the Greek *φόρος*. The earliest regular income of the state was in all probability the rent paid for the use of the public land and pastures. This revenue was called *pascua*, a name which was used as late as the time of Pliny, in the tables or registers of the censors, for all the revenues of the state in general.

The senate was the supreme authority in all matters of finance, but as the state itself did not occupy itself with collecting the taxes, duties, and tributes, the censors were entrusted with the actual business. These officers, who in this respect may not unjustly be compared to modern ministers of finance, used to let the various branches of the revenue to the publicani for a fixed sum, and for a certain number of years. [CENSOR; PUBLICANI.]

As most of the branches of the public revenues of Rome are treated of in separate articles, it is only necessary to give a list of them here, and to explain those which have not been treated of separately.

1. The tithes paid to the state by those who occupied the *ager publicus*. [DECUMAE; AGER PUBLICUS.]

2. The sums paid by those who kept their cattle on the public pastures. [SCRIPTURA.]

3. The harbour duties raised upon imported and exported commodities. [PORTORIUM.]

4. The revenue derived from the salt-works (*salinae*). Ancus Marcius is said to have first established salt-works at Ostia, and as they were public property they were probably let out to farm. The publicani appear however at times to have sold this most necessary of all commodities at a very high price; hence, during the war with Porsena, the republic itself undertook the direct management of the *salinae* of Ostia, in order that the people might obtain salt at a more moderate price. Subsequently the *salinae* were again farmed by the publicani, but the censors M. Livius and C. Claudius fixed the price at which those who took the lease of them were obliged to sell the salt to the people. At Rome the *modius* was according to this regulation sold for a sextans, while in other parts of Italy the price was higher, and varied. The salt-works in Italy, and in the provinces, were very numerous; in conquered countries however they were sometimes left in the possession of their former owners (per-

sons or towns), who had to pay to Rome only a fixed rent. Others again were worked, and the produce sold in the name of the state, or were, like those of Ostia, farmed by the publicani.

5. The revenues derived from the mines (*metalla*). This branch of the public revenue cannot have been very productive until the Romans had become masters of foreign countries. Until that time the mines of Italy appear to have been worked, but this was forbidden by the senate after the conquest of foreign lands. The mines of conquered countries were treated like the *salinae*.

6. The hundredth part of the value of all things which were sold (*centesima rerum venalium*). This tax was not instituted at Rome until the time of the civil wars; the persons who collected it were called *coactores*. Tiberius reduced this tax to a two hundredth (*ducentesima*), and Caligula abolished it for Italy altogether, whence upon several coins of this emperor we read R. C. C., that is, *Remissa Ducentesima*. Respecting the tax raised upon the sale of slaves, see *QUINQUAGESIMA*.

7. The *vicesima hereditarium et manumissionum*. [VICESIMA.]

8. The tribute imposed upon foreign countries was by far the most important branch of the public revenue during the time of Rome's greatness. It was sometimes raised at once, sometimes paid by instalments, and sometimes changed into a poll-tax, which was in many cases regulated according to the census. In regard to Cilicia and Syria we know that this tax amounted to one per cent. of a person's census, to which a tax upon houses and slaves was added. In some cases the tribute was not paid according to the census, but consisted in a land-tax.

9. A tax upon bachelors. [AES UXORIUM.]

10. A door tax. [OSTIARIUM.]

11. The *octavae*. In the time of Caesar all *liberti* living in Italy, and possessing property of 200 sester tia, and above it, had to pay a tax consisting of the eighth part of their property.

It would be interesting to ascertain the amount of income which Rome at various periods derived from these and other sources; but our want of information renders it impossible. We have only the general statement, that previously to the time of Pompey the annual revenue amounted to fifty millions of drachmas, and that it was increased by him to eighty-five millions.

VELARIUM. [AMPHITHEATRUM, p. 20.]

VELITES, the light-armed troops in a Roman army. [EXERCITUS.]

VELUM (*ἀνῆα*). 1. A curtain. Cur-

tains were used in private houses as coverings over doors, or they served in the interior of the house as substitutes for doors.

In temples, curtains served more especially to veil the statue of the divinity. They were drawn aside occasionally, so as to discover the object of worship to the devout. The annexed wood-cut is from a bas-relief representing two females engaged in supplication and sacrifice before the statue of a goddess. The altar is adorned for the occasion, and the curtain is drawn aside and supported by a terminus.



Velum, Curtain.

2. *Velum*, and more commonly its derivative *velamen*, denoted the veil worn by women. That worn by a bride was specifically called *flammeum*. [MATRIMONIUM.]

3. (ἱστῖον.) A sail. [NAVIS, p. 219.]

VENATIO, hunting was the name given among the Romans to an exhibition of wild beasts, which fought with one another and with men. These exhibitions originally formed part of the games of the circus. Julius Caesar first built a wooden amphitheatre for the exhibition of wild beasts, and others were subsequently erected; but we frequently read of venationes in the circus in subsequent times. The persons who fought with the beasts were either condemned criminals or captives, or individuals who did so for the sake of pay, and were trained for the purpose, [BESTIARII.]

The Romans were as passionately fond of this entertainment as of the exhibitions of gladiators, and during the latter days of the republic, and under the empire, an immense

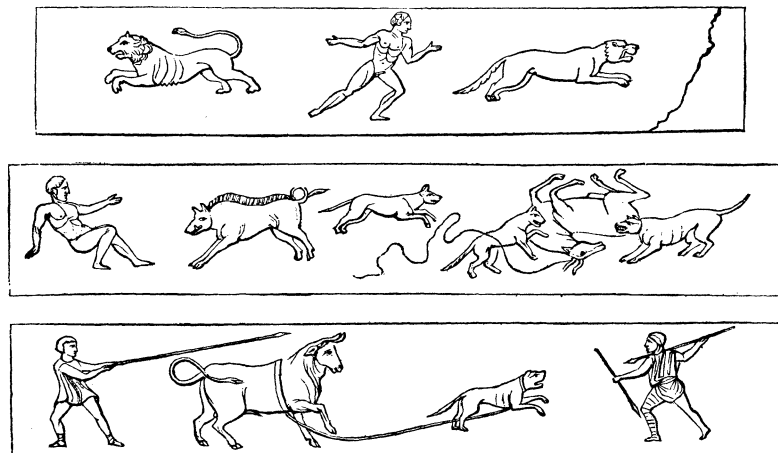
variety of animals was collected from all parts of the Roman world for the gratification of the people, and many thousands were frequently slain at one time. We do not know on what occasion a venatio was first exhibited at Rome; but the first mention we find of any thing of the kind is in the year B. C. 251, when L. Metellus exhibited in the circus 142 elephants, which he had brought from Sicily after his victory over the Carthaginians. But this can scarcely be regarded as an instance of a venatio as it was understood in later times, since the elephants are said to have been only killed because the Romans did not know what to do with them, and not for the amusement of the people. There was, however, a venatio in the later sense of the word in B. C. 186, in the games celebrated by M. Fulvius in fulfillment of the vow which he had made in the Aetolian war; in these games lions and panthers were exhibited. It is mentioned as a proof of the growing magnificence of the age that in the ludi circenses, exhibited by the curule aediles P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica and P. Lentulus, B. C. 168, there were 63 African panthers and 40 bears and elephants. From about this time combats with wild beasts probably formed a regular part of the ludi circenses, and many of the curule aediles made great efforts to obtain rare and curious animals, and put in requisition the services of their friends. Elephants are said to have first fought in the circus in the curule aedileship of Claudius Pulcher, B. C. 99, and twenty years afterwards, in the curule aedileship of the two Luculli, they fought against bulls. A hundred lions were exhibited by Sulla in his praetorship, which were destroyed by javelin-men sent by king Bocchus for the purpose. This was the first time that lions were allowed to be loose in the circus; they were previously always tied up. The games, however, in the curule aedileship of Scaurus, B. C. 58, surpassed anything the Romans had ever seen; among other novelties, he first exhibited an hippopotamus and five crocodiles in a temporary canal or trench (*euripus*). At the venatio given by Pompey in his second consulship, B. C. 55, upon the dedication of the temple of Venus Victrix, there was an immense number of animals slaughtered, among which we find mention of 600 lions, and 18 or 20 elephants; the latter fought with Gaetulians, who hurled darts against them, and they attempted to break through the railings (*clathri*) by which they were separated from the spectators. To guard against this danger Julius Caesar surrounded the arena of the amphitheatre with trenches (*euripi*.)

In the games exhibited by J. Caesar in his third consulship, B. C. 45, the venatio lasted for five days, and was conducted with extraordinary splendour. Cameleopards or giraffes were then for the first time seen in Italy.

The venationes seem to have been first confined to the ludi circenses, but during the later times of the republic, and under the empire, they were frequently exhibited on the celebration of triumphs, and on many other occasions, with the view of pleasing the people. The passion for these shows continued to increase under the empire, and the number of beasts sometimes slaughtered seems almost incredible. Under the emperors we read of a particular kind of venatio, in which the beasts were not killed by bestiarii, but were given up to the people, who were allowed to rush into the area of the circus and carry away what they pleased. On such occasions a number

of large trees which had been torn up by the roots, was planted in the circus, which thus resembled a forest, and none of the more savage animals were admitted into it. One of the most extraordinary venationes of this kind was that given by Probus, in which there were 1000 ostriches, 1000 stags, 1000 boars, 1000 deer, and numbers of wild goats, wild sheep, and other animals of the same kind. The more savage animals were slain by the bestiarii in the amphitheatre, and not in the circus. Thus, in the day succeeding the venatio of Probus just mentioned, there were slain in the amphitheatre 100 lions, and the same number of lionesses, 100 Libyan and 100 Syrian leopards, and 300 bears.

In the bas-reliefs on the tomb of Scaurus at Pompeii there are representations of combats with wild beasts, which are copied in the following cuts.



Venationes.

VENEFICIUM, the crime of poisoning, is frequently mentioned in Roman history. Women were most addicted to it: but it seems not improbable that this charge was frequently brought against females without sufficient evidence of their guilt, like that of witchcraft in Europe in the middle ages. We find females condemned to death for this crime in seasons of pestilence, when the people are always in an excited state of mind, and ready to attribute the calamities under which they suffer to the arts of evil-disposed persons. Thus the Athenians, when the pestilence raged in their city during

the Peloponnesian war, supposed the wells to have been poisoned by the Peloponnesians; and similar instances occur in the history of almost all states. Still however the crime of poisoning seems to have been much more frequent in ancient than in modern times; and this circumstance would lead persons to suspect it in cases when there was no real ground for the suspicion.

The first legislative enactment especially directed against poisoning was a law of the dictator Sulla—Lex Cornelia de Sicariis et Veneficis—passed in B. C. 82, which continued

in force, with some alterations, to the latest times. It contained provisions against all who made, bought, sold, possessed, or gave poison for the purpose of poisoning. The punishment fixed by this law was probably the *interdictio aquae et ignis*.

VER SACRUM (ἔρως ἱερὸν). It was a custom among the early Italian nations, especially among the Sabines, in times of great danger and distress, to vow to the deity the sacrifice of everything born in the next spring, that is, between the first of March and the last day of April, if the calamity under which they were labouring should be removed. This sacrifice in the early times comprehended both men and domestic animals, and there is little doubt that in many cases the vow was really carried into effect. But in later times it was thought cruel to sacrifice so many infants, and accordingly the following expedient was adopted. The children were allowed to grow up, and in the spring of their twentieth or twenty-first year they were with covered faces driven across the frontier of their native country, whereupon they went whithersoever fortune or the deity might lead them. Many a colony had been founded by persons driven out in this manner; and the Mamertines in Sicily were the descendants of such devoted persons. In the two historical instances in which the Romans vowed a *ver sacrum*, that is, after the battle of lake Trasimenus and at the close of the second Punic war, the vow was confined to domestic animals.

VERBENA. [SAGMINA.]

VERBENARIUS. [FETALIS.]

VERNA. [SERVUS, p. 289.]

VERSURA. [FENUS, p. 153.]

VERU, **VERUTUM**. [HASTA.]

VESPAE, **VESPILLONES**. [FUNUS, p. 158.]

VESTALES, the virgin priestesses of Vesta, who ministered in her temple and watched the eternal fire. Their existence at Alba Longa is connected with the earliest Roman traditions, for Silva the mother of Romulus was a member of the sisterhood; their establishment in the city, in common with almost all other matters connected with state religion, is generally ascribed to Numa, who selected four, two from the Titienses and two from the Ramnes; and two more were subsequently added from the Luceres, by Tarquinius Priscus according to one authority, by Servius Tullius according to another. This number of six remained unchanged to the latest times.

They were originally chosen (*capere* is the technical word) by the king, and during the republic and empire by the pontifex maximus.

It was necessary that the maiden should not be under six nor above ten years of age, perfect in all her limbs, in the full enjoyment of all her senses, *patrima et matrima* [ΠΑΤΡΙΜΙ], the daughter of free and freeborn parents who had never been in slavery, who followed no dishonourable occupation, and whose home was in Italy. The Lex Papia ordained that when a vacancy occurred, the pontifex maximus should name at his discretion twenty qualified damsels, one of whom was publicly (*in concione*) fixed upon by lot, an exemption being granted in favour of such as had a sister already a vestal, and of the daughters of certain priests of a high class. The above law appears to have been enacted in consequence of the unwillingness of fathers to resign all control over a child, and this reluctance was manifested so strongly in later times, that in the age of Augustus *libertinae* were declared eligible. The casting of lots moreover does not seem to have been practised if any respectable person came forward voluntarily, and offered a daughter who fulfilled the necessary conditions. As soon as the election was concluded, the pontifex maximus took the girl by the hand and addressed her in a solemn form. After this was pronounced, she was led away to the atrium of Vesta, and lived thenceforward within the sacred precincts, under the special superintendence and control of the pontifical college.

The period of service lasted for thirty years. During the first ten the priestess was engaged in learning her mysterious duties, being termed *discipula*, during the next ten in performing them, during the last ten in giving instructions to the novices, and so long as she was thus employed she was bound by a solemn vow of chastity. But after the time specified was completed, she might, if she thought fit, throw off the emblems of her office, unconsecrate herself (*exaugurare*), return to the world, and even enter into the marriage state. Few however availed themselves of these privileges; those who did were said to have lived in sorrow and remorse (as might indeed have been expected from the habits they had formed); hence such a proceeding was considered ominous, and the priestesses for the most part died, as they had lived, in the service of the goddess.

The senior sister was entitled *Vestalis Maxima*, or *Virgo Maxima*, and we find also the expressions *Vestaliū vetustissima* and *tres maximae*.

Their chief office was to watch by turns, night and day, the everlasting fire which blazed upon the altar of Vesta, its extinction being considered as the most fearful of all

prodigies, and emblematic of the extinction of the state. If such misfortune befell, and was caused by the carelessness of the priestess on duty, she was stripped and scourged by the pontifex maximus, in the dark and with a screen interposed, and he rekindled the flame by the friction of two pieces of wood from a *felix arbor*. Their other ordinary duties consisted in presenting offerings to the goddess at stated times, and in sprinkling and purifying the shrine each morning with water, which according to the institution of Numa was to be drawn from the Egerian fount, although in later times it was considered lawful to employ any water from a living spring or running stream, but not such as had passed through pipes. When used for sacrificial purposes it was mixed with *muries*, that is, salt which had been pounded in a mortar, thrown into an earthen jar, and baked in an oven. They assisted moreover at all great public holy rites, such as the festivals of the Bona Dea, and the consecration of temples; they were invited to priestly banquets, and we are told that they were present at the solemn appeal to the gods made by Cicero during the conspiracy of Catiline. They also guarded the sacred relics which formed the *fatale pignus imperii*, the pledge granted by fate for the permanency of the Roman sway, deposited in the inmost adytum, which no one was permitted to enter save the virgins and the chief pontifex. What this object was no one knew; some supposed that it was the palladium, others the Samothracian gods carried by Dardanus to Troy, and transported from thence to Italy by Aeneas, but all agreed in believing that something of awful sanctity was here preserved, contained, it was said, in a small earthen jar closely sealed, while another exactly similar in form, but empty, stood by its side.

We have seen above that supreme importance was attached to the purity of the vestals, and a terrible punishment awaited her who violated the vow of chastity. According to the law of Numa, she was simply to be stoned to death, but a more cruel torture was devised by Tarquinius Priscus, and inflicted from that time forward. When condemned by the college of pontifices, she was stripped of her vitta and other badges of office, was scourged, was attired like a corpse, placed in a close litter, and borne through the forum attended by her weeping kindred, with all the ceremonies of a real funeral, to a rising ground called the *Campus Sceleratus*, just within the city walls, close to the Colline gate. There a small vault underground had been previously prepared, containing a couch, a

lamp, and a table with a little food. The pontifex maximus, having lifted up his hands to heaven and uttered a secret prayer, opened the litter, led forth the culprit, and placing her on the steps of the ladder which gave access to the subterranean cell, delivered her over to the common executioner and his assistants, who conducted her down, drew up the ladder, and having filled the pit with earth until the surface was level with the surrounding ground, left her to perish deprived of all the tributes of respect usually paid to the spirits of the departed. In every case the paramour was publicly scourged to death in the forum.

The honours which the vestals enjoyed were such as in a great measure to compensate for their privations. They were maintained at the public cost, and from sums of money and land bequeathed from time to time to the corporation. From the moment of their consecration they became as it were the property of the goddess alone, and were completely released from all parental sway, without going through the form of *emancipatio* or suffering any *capitis deminutio*. They had a right to make a will, and to give evidence in a court of justice without taking an oath. From the time of the triumviri each was preceded by a lictor when she went abroad; consuls and praetors made way for them, and lowered their fasces; even the tribunes of the plebs respected their holy character, and if any one passed under their litter he was put to death. Augustus granted to them all the rights of matrons who had borne three children, and assigned them a conspicuous place in the theatre, a privilege which they had enjoyed before at the gladiatorial shows. Great weight was attached to their intercession on behalf of those in danger and difficulty, of which we have a remarkable example in the entreaties which they addressed to Sulla on behalf of Julius Caesar; and if they chanced to meet a criminal as he was led to punishment, they had a right to demand his release, provided it could be proved that the encounter was accidental. Wills, even those of the emperors, were committed to their charge, for when in such keeping they were considered inviolable; and in like manner very solemn treaties, such as that of the triumvirs with Sextus Pompeius, were placed in their hands. That they might be honoured in death as in life, their ashes were interred within the pomœrium.

They were attired in a stola, over which was an upper vestment made of linen; and in addition to the infula and white woolen vitta, they wore when sacrificing a peculiar head-

dress called *suffibulum*, consisting of a piece of white cloth bordered with purple, oblong in shape, and secured by a clasp. In dress and general deportment they were required to observe the utmost simplicity and decorum, any fanciful ornaments in the one or levity in the other being always regarded with disgust and suspicion. Their hair was cut off, probably at the period of their consecration: whether this was repeated from time to time does not appear, but they are never represented with flowing locks. The first of the following cuts represents the vestal Tuccia who,



Vestal Virgin.

when wrongfully accused, appealed to the goddess to vindicate her honour, and had power given to her to carry a sieve full of water from the Tiber to the temple. The form of the upper garment is well shown. The second is from a denarius of the gens Clodia, representing upon the reverse a female priestess with a *simpvium* in her hand,



Head of Flora.



Vestal Priestess.

and bearing the legend VESTALIS; on the obverse is a head of Flora, with the words C. CLODIUS C. F. Two vestals belonging to this gens were celebrated in the Roman Annals.

VIA.

VESTIBULUM. [DOMUS, p. 125.]

VETERANUS. [TIRO.]

VEXILLARIII, veterans in the Roman army, who were released from the ordinary military duties, and retained under a flag (*vexillum*) by themselves, to render assistance in the more severe battles.

VEXILLUM. [SIGNA MILITARIA.]

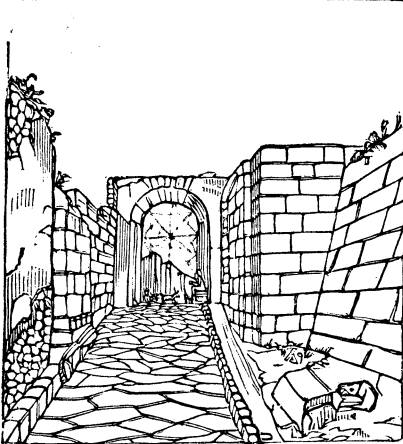
VIA, a public road. It was not until the period of the long protracted Samnite wars that the necessity was felt of securing a safe communication between the city and the legions; and then for the first time we hear of those famous paved roads, which, in after ages, connected Rome with her most distant provinces, constituting the most lasting of all her works. The excellence of the principles upon which they were constructed is sufficiently attested by their extraordinary durability, many specimens being found in the country around Rome which have been used without being repaired for more than a thousand years.

The Romans are said to have adopted their first ideas upon this subject from the Carthaginians, and it is extremely probable that the latter people may, from their commercial activity, and the sandy nature of their soil, have been compelled to turn their attention to the best means of facilitating the conveyance of merchandize to different parts of their territory.

The first great public road made by the Romans was the Via Appia, which extended in the first instance from Rome to Capua, and was made in the censorship of Appius Claudius Caecus (b. c. 312).

The general construction of a Roman road was as follows:—In the first place, two shallow trenches (*sulci*) were dug parallel to each other, marking the breadth of the proposed road; this in the great lines is found to have been from 13 to 15 feet. The loose earth between the *sulci* was then removed, and the excavation continued until a solid foundation (*gremium*) was reached, upon which the materials of the road might firmly rest; if this could not be attained, in consequence of the swampy nature of the ground or from any peculiarity in the soil, a basis was formed artificially by driving piles (*fistucationibus*). Above the *gremium* were four distinct strata. The lowest course was the *statumen*, consisting of stones not smaller than the hand could just grasp; above the *statumen* was the *rudus*, a mass of broken stones cemented with lime (what masons call *rubble-work*), rammed down hard, and nine inches thick; above the *rudus* came the *nucleus*, composed of fragments of bricks and pottery, the pieces being smaller

than in the *rudus*, cemented with lime, and six inches thick. Uppermost was the *pavimentum*, large polygonal blocks of the hardest stone (*silex*), usually, at least in the vicinity of Rome, basaltic lava, irregular in form, but fitted and jointed with the greatest nicety, so as to present a perfectly even surface, as free from gaps or irregularities as if the whole had been one solid mass. The general aspect will be understood from the cut given below.



Street at the entrance of Pompeii.

The centre of the way was a little elevated, so as to permit the water to run off easily. Occasionally, at least in cities, rectangular slabs of softer stone were employed instead of the irregular polygons of *silex*, and hence the distinction between the phrases *silice sternere* and *saxo quadrato sternere*.

Nor was this all. Regular foot-paths (*margines*, *crepidines*, *umbones*) were raised upon each side and strewn with gravel, the different parts were strengthened and bound together with *gomphi* or stone wedges, and stone blocks were set up at moderate intervals on the side of the foot-paths, in order that travellers on horseback might be able to mount without assistance.

Finally, Caius Gracchus erected mile-stones along the whole extent of the great highways, marking the distances from Rome, which appear to have been counted from the gate at which each road issued forth; and Augustus, when appointed inspector of the viae around

the city, erected in the forum a gilded column (*milliarium aureum*), on which were inscribed the distances of the principal points to which the viae conducted.

During the earlier ages of the republic the construction and general superintendence of the roads without, and the streets within the city, were committed, like all other important works, to the censors. These duties, when no censors were in office, devolved upon the consuls, and in their absence on the praetor urbanus, the aediles, or such persons as the senate thought fit to appoint. There were also under the republic four officers, called *quatuorviri viarum*, for superintending the streets within the city, and two called *curatores viarum*, for superintending the roads without. Under the empire the *curatores viarum* were officers of high rank.

The chief roads which issued from Rome are:—1. The VIA APPIA, the Great South Road. It issued from the *Porta Capena*, and passing through *Aricia*, *Tres Tabernae*, *Appii Forum*, *Tarracina*, *Fundi*, *Formiae*, *Minturnae*, *Sinuessa*, and *Casilinum*, terminated at *Capua*, but was eventually extended through *Calatia* and *Caudium* to *Beneventum*, and finally from thence through *Venusia*, *Tarentum*, and *Uria*, to *Brundisium*. 2. The VIA LATINA, from the *Porta Capena*, another great line leading to *Beneventum*, but keeping a course farther inland than the *Via Appia*. Soon after leaving the city it sent off a short branch (VIA TUSCULANA) to *Tusculum*, and passing through *Compitum*, *Anagninum*, *Ferentinum*, *Frusino*, *Fregellae*, *Fabrateria*, *Aquinum*, *Casinum*, *Venafrum*, *Teanum*, *Alifiae*, and *Telesia*, joined the *Via Appia* at *Beneventum*. A cross-road called the VIA HADRIANA, running from *Minturnae* through *Suessa Aurunca* to *Teanum*, connected the *Via Appia* with the *Via Latina*. 3. From the *Porta Esquilina* issued the VIA LABICANA, which passing *Labicum* fell into the *Via Latina* at the station *ad Bivium*, 30 miles from Rome. 4. The VIA PRAENESTINA, originally the VIA GABINA, issued from the same gate with the former. Passing through *Gabii* and *Praeneste*, it joined the *Via Latina* just below *Anagnia*. 5. The VIA TIBURTINA, which issued from the *Porta Tiburtina*, and proceeding N. E. to *Tibur*, a distance of about 20 miles, was continued from thence, in the same direction, under the name of the VIA VALERIA, and traversing the country of the Sabines passed through *Carseoli* and *Corfinium* to *Aternum*, on the Adriatic, thence to *Adria*, and so along the coast to *Castrum Truentinum*, where it fell into the *Via Salaria*. 6. The VIA NOMEANTANA, anciently *FICULNENSIS*, ran from the *Porta Collina* crossed the

Anio to *Nomentum*, and a little beyond fell into the *Via Salaria* at *Eretum*. 7. The *VIA Salaria*, also from the *Porta Collina* (passing *Fidenae* and *Crustumrium*) ran north and east through *Sabinum* and *Picenum* to *Reate* and *Asculum Picenum*. At *Castrum Truentinum* it reached the coast, which it followed until it joined the *Via Flaminia* at *Ancona*. 8. The *VIA FLAMINIA*, the *Great North Road*, carried ultimately to *Ariminum*. It issued from the *Porta Flaminia*, and proceeded nearly north to *Oriculum* and *Narnia* in *Umbria*. Here a branch struck off, making a sweep to the east through *Interamna* and *Spoletium*, and fell again into the main trunk (which passed through *Mevania*) at *Fulginia*. It continued through *Fanum Flaminii* and *Nuceria*, where it again divided, one line running nearly straight to *Fanum Fortunae* on the *Adriatic*; while the other diverging to *Ancona* continued from thence along the coast to *Fanum Fortunae*, where the two branches uniting passed on to *Ariminum* through *Pisaurum*. From thence the *Via Flaminia* was extended under the name of the *VIA AEMILIA*, and traversed the heart of *Cisalpine Gaul* through *Bononia*, *Mutina*, *Parma*, *Placentia* (where it crossed the *Po*), to *Mediolanum*. 9. The *VIA AURELIA*, the *Great Coast Road*, issued originally from the *Porta Janiculensis*, and subsequently from the *Porta Aurelia*. It reached the coast at *Alsium*, and followed the shore of the lower sea along *Etruria* and *Liguria* by *Genoa* as far as *Forum Julii* in *Gaul*. In the first instance it extended no farther than *Pisa*. 10. The *VIA PORTUENSIS* kept the right bank of the *Tiber* to *Portus Augusti*. 11. The *VIA OSTIENSIS* originally passed through the *Porta Trigemina*, afterwards through the *Porta Ostiensis*, and kept the left bank of the *Tiber* to *Ostia*. From thence it was continued under the name of *VIA SEVERIANA* along the coast southward through *Laurentum*, *Antium*, and *Circae*, till it joined the *Via Appia* at *Tarracina*. The *VIA LAURENTINA*, leading direct to *Laurentum*, seems to have branched off from the *Via Ostiensis* at a short distance from *Rome*. 12. The *VIA ARDEATINA* from *Rome* to *Ardea*. According to some this branched off from the *Via Appia*, and thus the circuit of the city is completed.

VIA TICUM is, properly speaking, every thing necessary for a person setting out on a journey, and thus comprehends money, provisions, dresses, vessels, &c. When a Roman magistrate, praetor, proconsul, or quaestor went to his province, the state provided him with all that was necessary for his journey. But as the state in this as in most other cases of expenditure preferred paying a

sum at once to having any part in the actual business, it engaged contractors (*redemptores*), who for a stipulated sum had to provide the magistrates with the viaticum, the principal parts of which appear to have been beasts of burden and tents (*muli et tabernacula*). Augustus introduced some modification of this system, as he once for all fixed a certain sum to be given to the proconsuls (probably to other provincial magistrates also) on setting out to their provinces, so that the *redemptores* had no more to do with it.

VIA TOR, a servant who attended upon and executed the commands of certain Roman magistrates, to whom he bore the same relation as the lictor did to other magistrates. The name *viatores* was derived from the circumstance of their being chiefly employed on messages either to call upon senators to attend the meeting of the senate, or to summon people to the comitia, &c. In the earlier times of the republic we find *viatores* as ministers of such magistrates also as had their lictors; *viatores* of a dictator and of the consuls are mentioned by *Livy*. In later times, however, *viatores* are only mentioned with such magistrates as had only potestas and not imperium, such as the tribunes of the people, the censors, and the aediles.

VICTIMA. [*SACRIFICIUM*, p. 276.]

VICESIMA, a tax of five per cent. Every Roman, when he manumitted a slave, had to pay to the state a tax of one-twentieth of his value, whence the tax was called *vicesima manumissionis*. This tax was first imposed by the *Lex Manlia* (B. C. 357), and was not abolished when all other imposts were done away with in *Rome* and *Italy*.

A tax called *vicesima hereditatium et legatorum* was introduced by Augustus (*Lex Julia Vicesimaria*): it consisted of five per cent., which every Roman citizen had to pay to the aerarium militare, upon any inheritance or legacy left to him, with the exception of such as were left to a citizen by his nearest relatives, and such as did not amount to above a certain sum. It was levied in *Italy* and the provinces by procuratores appointed for the purpose.

VICOMAGISTRI. [*Vicus*.]

VICUS, the name of the subdivisions into which the four regions occupied by the four city tribes of *Servius Tullius* were divided, while the country regions, according to an institution ascribed to *Numa*, were subdivided into *pagi*. This division, together with that of the four regions of the four city tribes, remained down to the time of Augustus, who made the *vici* subdivisions of the fourteen regions into which he divided the city. In

this division each vicus consisted of one main street, including several smaller by-streets; their number was 424, and each was superintended by four officers, called *vico-magistri*, who had a sort of local police, and who, according to the regulation of Augustus, were every year chosen by lot from among the people who lived in the vicus. On certain days, probably at the celebration of the compitalia, they wore the *praetexta*, and each of them was accompanied by two lictors. These officers, however, were not a new institution of Augustus, for they had existed during the time of the republic, and had had the same functions as a police for the vici of the Servian division of the city.

VICTORIA'TUS. [DENARIUS.]

VIGILES. [PRAEFECTUS VIGILUM.]

VIGILIAE. [CASTRA, p. 70.]

VIGINTISEXVIRI, twenty-six magistratus minores, among whom were included the Triumviri Capiteles, the Triumviri Monetales, the Quatuorviri Viarum Curandarum for the city, the two Curatores Viarum for the roads outside the city, the Decemviri Litibus (*stilibus*) Judicandis, and the four praefects who were sent into Campania for the purpose of administering justice there. Augustus reduced the number of officers of this college to twenty (*vigintiviri*), as the two curatores viarum for the roads outside the city and the four Campanian praefects were abolished. Down to the time of Augustus the sons of senators had generally sought and obtained a place in the college of the vigintisexviri, it being the first step towards the higher offices of the republic; but in A. D. 13 a *senatusconsultum* was passed, ordaining that only equites should be eligible to the college of the vigintiviri. The consequence of this was, that the vigintiviri had no seats in the senate, unless they had held some other magistracy which conferred this right upon them. The age at which a person might become a vigintivir appears to have been twenty.

VIGINTIVIRI. [VIGINTISEXVIRI.]

VILLA, a farm or country-house. The Roman writers mention two kinds of *villa*, the *villa rustica* or farm-house, and the *villa urbana* or *pseudo-urbana*, a residence in the country or in the suburbs of a town. When both of these were attached to an estate, they were generally united in the same range of buildings, but sometimes they were placed at different parts of the estate.

The interior arrangements of the *villa urbana* corresponded for the most part to those of a town-house. [DOMUS.]

VILLICUS, a slave who had the superintendence of the *villa rustica*, and of all the

business of the farm, except the cattle, which were under the care of the *magister pecoris*.

The word was also used to describe a person to whom the management of any business was entrusted.

VINALIA. There were two festivals of this name celebrated by the Romans: the *vinalia urbana* or *priora*, and the *Vinalia rustica* or *altera*. The *vinalia urbana* were celebrated on the 23rd of April, when the wine casks which had been filled the preceding autumn were opened for the first time, and the wine tasted.

The rustic *vinalia*, which fell on the 19th of August, and was celebrated by the inhabitants of all Latium, was the day on which the vintage was opened. On this occasion the *flamen dialis* offered lambs to Jupiter, and while the flesh of the victims lay on the altar, he broke with his own hands a bunch of grapes from a vine, and by this act he, as it were, opened the vintage, and no must was allowed to be conveyed into the city until this solemnity was performed. This day was sacred to Jupiter, and Venus too appears to have had a share in it.

VINDEMIA'LIS FERIA. [FERIAE.]

VINDEX. [ACTIO.]

VINDICTA. [MANUMISSIO.]

VINEA, in its literal signification, is a bower formed of the branches of vines, and from the protection which such a leafy roof affords, the name was applied by the Romans to a roof under which the besiegers of a town protected themselves against darts, stones, fire, and the like, which were thrown by the besieged upon the assailants. The whole machine formed a roof, resting upon posts eight feet in height. The roof itself was generally sixteen feet long and seven broad. The wooden frame was in most cases light, so that it could be carried by the soldiers; sometimes, however, when the purpose which it was to serve required great strength, it was heavy, and then the whole fabric probably was moved by wheels attached to the posts. The roof was formed of planks and wicker-work, and the uppermost layer or layers consisted of raw hides or wet cloth, as a protection against fire, by which the besieged frequently destroyed the vineae. The sides of a vinea were likewise protected by wicker-work. Such machines were constructed in a safe place at some distance from the besieged town, and then carried or wheeled (*agere*), close to its walls. Here several of them were frequently joined together, so that a great number of soldiers might be employed under them. When vineae had taken their place close to the walls, the soldiers began

their operations, either by undermining the walls, and thus opening a breach, or by employing the battering-ram (*aries*).

VINUM (*οἶνος*). The general term for the fermented juice of the grape.

In the Homeric poems the cultivation of the grape is represented as familiar to the Greeks. It is worth remarking that the only wine upon whose excellence Homer dilates in a tone approaching to hyperbole is represented as having been produced on the coast of Thrace, the region from which poetry and civilization spread into Hellas, and the scene of several of the more remarkable exploits of Bacchus. Hence we might infer that the Pelasgians introduced the culture of the vine when they wandered westward across the Hellespont, and that in like manner it was conveyed to the valley of the Po, when at a subsequent period they made their way round the head of the Adriatic. It seems certain that wine was both rare and costly in the earlier ages of Roman history. As late as the time of the Samnite wars, Papirius the dictator, when about to join in battle with the Samnites, vowed to Jupiter only a small cupful (*vini pocillum*) if he should gain the victory. In the times of Marius and Sulla foreign wines were considered far superior to native growths; but the rapidity with which luxury spread in this matter is well illustrated by the saying of M. Varro, that Lucullus when a boy never saw an entertainment in his father's house, however splendid, at which Greek wine was handed round more than once, but when in manhood he returned from his Asiatic conquests he bestowed on the people a largess of more than a hundred thousand cadi. Four different kinds of wine are said to have been presented for the first time at the feast given by Julius Caesar in his third consulship (B. C. 46), these being Falernian, Chian, Lesbian, and Mamertine, and not until after this date were the merits of the numerous varieties, foreign and domestic, accurately known and fully appreciated. But during the reign of Augustus and his immediate successors the study of wines became a passion, and the most scrupulous care was bestowed upon every process connected with their production and preservation. Pliny calculates that the number of wines in the whole world deserving to be accounted of high quality (*nobilia*) amounted to eighty, of which his own country could claim two-thirds; and that 195 distinct kinds might be reckoned up, and that if all the varieties of these were to be included in the computation, the sum would be almost doubled.

The process followed in wine-making was

essentially the same among the Greeks and the Romans. After the grapes had been gathered, they were first trodden with the feet in a vat (*ληνός, torcular*); but as this process did not press out all the juice of the grapes, they were subjected to the more powerful pressure of a thick and heavy beam (*prelum*) for the purpose of obtaining all the juice yet remaining in them. From the press the sweet unfermented juice flowed into another large vat, which was sunk below the level of the press, and therefore called the *under wine-vat*, in Greek *ὑπολήνιον*, in Latin *lacus*.

A portion of the must was used at once, being drunk fresh after it had been clarified with vinegar. When it was desired to preserve a quantity in the sweet state, an amphora was taken and coated with pitch within and without, and corked so as to be perfectly air-tight. It was then immersed in a tank of cold fresh water or buried in wet sand, and allowed to remain for six weeks or two months. The contents after this process were found to remain unchanged for a year, and hence the name *ἀεὶ γλεῦκος*, i. e. *semper mustum*. A considerable quantity of must from the best and oldest vines was inspissated by boiling, being then distinguished by the Greeks under the general names of *ἐψήμα* or *γλύστις*, while the Latin writers have various terms according to the extent to which the evaporation was carried. Thus, when the must was reduced to two-thirds of its original volume, it became *carenum*, when one-half had evaporated *defrutum*, when two-thirds *sapa* (known also by the Greek names *στρακεῖον* and *hepsema*), but these words are frequently interchanged. Similar preparations are at the present time called in Italy *musto cotto* and *sapa*, and in France *sabe*. The process was carried on in large caldrons of lead (*vasa defrutaria*), over a slow fire of chips, on a night when there was no moon, the scum being carefully removed with leaves, and the liquid constantly stirred to prevent it from burning. These grape-jellies, for they were nothing else, were used extensively for giving body to poor wines and making them keep, and entered as ingredients into many drinks, such as the *burranica potio*, so called from its red colour, which was formed by mixing *sapa* with milk.

The whole of the mustum not employed for some of the above purposes was conveyed from the *lacus* to the *cella vinaria*, an apartment on the ground-floor or a little below the surface. Here were the *dolia* (*πίθοι*), otherwise called *serae* or *cupae*, long bell-mouthed vessels of earthenware, very carefully formed of the best clay, and lined with a coating of

pitch. They were usually sunk (*depressa*, *defossa*, *demersa*) one-half or two-thirds in the ground; to the former depth, if the wine to be contained was likely to prove strong, to the latter if weak. In these *dolia* the process of fermentation took place, which usually lasted for about nine days, and as soon as it had subsided, and the *mustum* had become *vinum*, the *dolia* were closely covered. The lids (*opercula doliorum*), were taken off about once every thirty-six days, and oftener in hot weather, in order to cool and give air to the contents, to add any preparation required to preserve them sound, and to remove any impurities that might be thrown up.

The commoner sorts of wine were drunk direct from the *dolium*, and hence draught wine was called *vinum doliare* or *vinum de cupa*, but the finer kinds were drawn off (*diffundere*, *μεταγγίζειν*), into *amphorae*. On the outside the title of the wine was painted, the date of the vintage being marked by the names of the consuls then in office. [AMPHORAE.] The *amphorae* were then stored up in repositories (*apothecae*, *horrea*, *tabulata*), completely distinct from the *cella vinaria*, and usually placed in the upper story of the house (whence *descende*, *testa*, and *deripere horreo* in Horace), for a reason explained afterwards.

It is manifest that wines prepared and bottled in the manner described above must have contained a great quantity of dregs and sediment, and it became absolutely necessary to separate these before it was drunk. This was sometimes effected by fining with yolks of eggs, those of pigeons being considered most appropriate by the fastidious; but more commonly by simply straining through small cup-like utensils of silver or bronze perforated with numerous small holes. Occasionally a piece of linen cloth (*σάκκος*, *saccus*) was placed over the *colum*, and the wine filtered through. The use of the *saccus* was considered objectionable for all delicate wines, since it was believed to injure, if not entirely to destroy their flavour, and in every instance to diminish the strength of the liquor. For this reason it was employed by the dissipated in order that they might be able to swallow a greater quantity without becoming intoxicated. The double purpose of cooling and weakening was effectually accomplished by placing ice or snow in the filter, which under such circumstances became a *colum nivarium*, or *saccus nivarius*.

In all the best wines hitherto described the grapes are supposed to have been gathered as soon as they were fully ripe, and fermentation to have run its full course. But a great variety of sweet wines were manufactured by

checking the fermentation, or by partially drying the grapes, or by converting them completely into raisins. *Passum* or *raisin-wine* was made from grapes dried in the sun until they had lost half their weight; or they were plunged into boiling oil, which produced a similar effect; or the bunches after they were ripe were allowed to hang for some weeks upon the vine, the stalks being twisted, or an incision made into the pith of the bearing shoot, so as to put a stop to vegetation.

The stalks and stones were removed, the raisins were steeped in must or good wine, and then trodden or subjected to the gentle action of the press. The quantity of juice which flowed forth was measured, and an equal quantity of water added to the pulpy residuum, which was again pressed, and the product employed for an inferior *passum* called *secundarium*. The *passum* of Crete was most prized, and next in rank were those of Cilicia, Africa, Italy, and the neighbouring provinces. The kinds known as *Psythium* and *Melampsythium* possessed the peculiar flavour of the grape and not that of wine. The grapes most suitable for *passum* were those which ripened early, especially the varieties *Apiana*, *Scirpula*, and *Psithia*.

The Greeks recognized three colours in wines: red (*μέλας*), white, i. e. pale straw-col-



Silenus astride upon a wine-skin.

our (*λευκός*), and brown or amber-coloured (*κιθρόος*). The Romans distinguished four: *albus*, answering to *λευκός*, *fulvus* to *κιθρόος*, while *μέλας* is subdivided into *sanguineus* and *niger*, the former being doubtless applied to bright glowing wines like Tent and Burgundy, while the *niger* or *ater* would resemble Port.

We have seen that wine intended for keeping was racked off from the dolia into amphorae. When it was necessary in the first instance to transport it from one place to another, or when carried by travellers on a journey, it was contained in bags made of goat-skin (*ἀσκοί*, *utres*) well pitched over so as to make the seams perfectly tight.

As the process of wine-making among the ancients was for the most part conducted in an unscientific manner, it was found necessary, except in the case of the finest varieties, to have recourse to various devices for preventing or correcting acidity, heightening the flavour, and increasing the durability of the second growths. The object in view was accomplished sometimes by merely mixing different kinds of wine together, but more frequently by throwing into the dolia or amphorae various condiments or seasonings (*ἀρτίσεις*, *medicamina*, *conditurae*). The principal substances employed as *conditurae* were, 1. sea-water; 2. turpentine, either pure, or in the form of pitch (*πίξ*), tar (*πίξ liquida*), or resin (*resina*). 3. Lime, in the form of gypsum, burnt marble, or calcined shells. 4. Inspissated must. 5. Aromatic herbs, spices, and gums; and these were used either singly, or cooked up into a great variety of complicated confections.

But not only were spices and gums steeped in wine or incorporated during fermentation, but even the precious perfumed essential oils (*unguenta*) were mixed with it before it was drunk (*μυρρίνη*, *murrhina*).

Of these compound beverages the most popular was the *oenomeli* (*οἶνόμελι*), of the Greeks, the *mulsum* of the Romans. This was of two kinds; in the one honey was mixed with wine, in the other with must. The former was said to have been invented by the legendary hero Aristaeus, the first cultivator of bees, and was considered most perfect and palatable when made of some old rough (*austerum*) wine, such as Massic or Falernian (although Horace objects to the latter for this purpose), and new Attic honey. The proportions were four, by measure, of wine to one of honey, and various spices and perfumes, such as myrrh, cassia, costum, malobathrum, nard, and pepper, might be added. The second kind was made of must evaporated to one

half of its original bulk, Attic honey being added in the proportion of one to ten. This, therefore, was merely a very rich fruit syrup, in no way allied to wine. *Mulsum* was considered the most appropriate draught upon an empty stomach, and was therefore swallowed immediately before the regular business of a repast began, and hence the whet (*gustatio*) coming before the cup of mulsum was called the *promulsis*. *Mulsum* was given at a triumph by the imperator to his soldiers. *Mulsum* (sc. *vinum*) or *oenomeli* (*οἶνόμελι*) is perfectly distinct from *mulsa* (sc. *aqua*). The latter, or *mead*, being made of honey and water mixed and fermented, is the *melicraton* (*μελικράτον*) or *hydromeli* (*ὕδρομελι*) of the Greeks.

The ancients considered old wine not only more grateful to the palate, but also more wholesome and invigorating. Generally speaking, the Greek wines do not seem to have required a long time to ripen. Nestor in the *Odyssey*, indeed, drinks wine ten years old; but the connoisseurs under the empire pronounced that all transmarine wines arrived at a moderate degree of maturity in six or seven. Many of the Italian varieties, however, required to be kept for twenty or twenty-five years before they were drinkable (which is now considered ample for our strongest ports), and even the humble growths of Sabinum were stored up for from four to fifteen. Hence it became a matter of importance to hasten, if possible, the natural process. This was attempted in various ways, sometimes by elaborate condiments, sometimes by sinking vessels containing the must in the sea, by which an artificial mellowness was induced (*praeceox vetustas*) and the wine in consequence termed *thalassites*; but more usually by the application of heat. Thus it was customary to expose the amphorae for some years to the full fervour of the sun's rays, or to construct the *apothecae* in such a manner as to be exposed to the hot air and smoke of the bath-furnaces, and hence the name *fumaria* applied to such apartments, and the phrases *fumosos*, *fumum bibere*, *fuligine testae*, in reference to the wines. If the operation was not conducted with care, and the amphorae not stoppered down perfectly tight, a disagreeable effect would be produced on the contents.

In Italy, in the first century of the Christian era, the lowest market price of the most ordinary quality of wine was 300 sesterces for 40 urnae, that is, 15 sesterces for the amphora, or 6d. a gallon nearly. At a much earlier date, the triumph of L. Metellus during the first Punic war (B. C. 250), wine was sold at the rate of 8 asses the amphora. The price of native wine at Athens was four drachmas

for the metretes, that is, about 4½d. the gallon, when necessities were dear, and we may perhaps assume one half of this sum as the average of cheaper times. On the other hand, high prices were given freely for the varieties held in esteem, since as early as the time of Socrates a metretes of Chian sold for a mina.

With respect to the way in which wine was drunk, and the customs observed by the Greeks and Romans at their drinking entertainments, the reader is referred to the article SYMPOSIUM.

The wine of most early celebrity was that which the minister of Apollo, Maron, who dwelt upon the skirts of Thracian Ismarus, gave to Ulysses. It was red (*ερυθρόν*), and honey-sweet (*μελιηδέα*), so precious, that it was unknown to all in the mansion save the wife of the priest and one trusty housekeeper; so strong, that a single cup was mingled with twenty of water; so fragrant, that even when thus diluted it diffused a divine and most tempting perfume. Homer mentions also more than once *Pramnian wine* (*οἶνος Πραμνείας*), an epithet which is variously interpreted by different writers. In after times a wine bearing the same name was produced in the island of Icaria, around the hill village of Latorea in the vicinity of Ephesus, in the neighbourhood of Smyrna, near the shrine of Cybele, and in Lesbos. But the wines of greatest renown at a later period were grown in the islands of Thasos, Lesbos, Chios, and Cos, and in a few favoured spots on the opposite coast of Asia, such as the slopes of Mount Tmolus, the ridge which separates the valley of the Hermus from that of the Cæster, Mount Messogis, which divides the tributaries of the Cæster from those of the Meander, the volcanic region of the Catacecaumene, which still retains its fame, the environs of Ephesus, of Cnidus, of Miletus, and of Clazomenae. Among these the first place seems to have been by general consent conceded to the *Chian*, of which the most delicious varieties were brought from the heights of Ariusium in the central parts, and from the promontory of Phanæ at the southern extremity of the island. The *Thasian* and *Lesbian* occupied the second place, and the *Coan* disputed the palm with them. In Lesbos the most highly prized vineyards were around Mytilene and Methymna. There is no foundation whatever for the remark that the finest Greek wines, especially the products of the islands in the Aegean and Ionian seas, belonged for the most part to the luscious sweet class. The very reverse is proved by the epithets *ἀσθηρός*, *σκληρός*, *λεπρός*, and the like, applied to a great number, while *γλυκύς* and

γλυκάζων are designations comparatively rare, except in the vague language of poetry.

The most noble Italian wines, with a very few exceptions, were derived from Latium and Campania, and for the most part grew within a short distance of the sea. In the first rank we must place the *Setinum*, which fairly deserves the title of *Imperial*, since it was the chosen beverage of Augustus and most of his courtiers. It grew upon the hills of Setia, above Forum Appii, looking down upon the Pomptine marshes. Before the age of Augustus the *Caecubum* was the most prized of all. It grew in the poplar swamps bordering on the gulf of Amynclae, close to Fundi. In the time of Pliny its reputation was entirely gone, partly in consequence of the carelessness of the cultivators, and partly from its proper soil, originally a very limited space, having been cut up by the canal of Nero extending from Baiae to Ostia. It was full-bodied and heady, not arriving at maturity until it had been kept for many years.

The second rank was occupied by the *Falerium*, of which the *Faustianum* was the most choice variety, having gained its character from the care and skill exercised in the cultivation of the vines. The *Falerus ager* commenced at the Pons Campanus, on the left hand of those journeying towards the Urbana Colonia of Sulla; the *Faustianus ager* at a village about six miles from Sinuessa, so that the whole district in question may be regarded as stretching from the Massic hills to the river Volturnus. Falerian became fit for drinking in ten years, and might be used until twenty years old, but when kept longer gave headaches, and proved injurious to the nervous system. Pliny distinguishes three kinds, the rough (*austerum*), the sweet (*dulce*), and the thin (*tenue*). Others arranged the varieties differently; that which grew upon the hill tops they called *Caucinum*, that on the middle slopes *Faustianum*, and that on the plain *Falerium*.

In the third rank was the *Albanum*, from the Mons Albanus, of various kinds, very sweet (*praedulce*), sweetish, rough, and sharp; it was invigorating (*nervis utile*), and in perfection after being kept for fifteen years. Here too we place the *Surrentinum*, from the promontory forming the southern horn of the bay of Naples, which was not drinkable until it had been kept for five-and-twenty years; for being destitute of richness, and very dry, it required a long time to ripen, but was strongly recommended to convalescents, on account of its thinness and wholesomeness. Of equal reputation were the *Massicum*, from the hills which formed the boundary between

Latium and Campania, although somewhat harsh; and the *Gauranum*, from the ridge above Baiae and Puteoli, produced in small quantity, but of very high quality, full-bodied, and thick. In the same class are to be included the *Calenum* from Cales, and the *Fundanum* from Fundi. The *Calenum* was light and better for the stomach than Falernian; the *Fundanum* was full-bodied and nourishing, but apt to attack both stomach and head; therefore little sought after at banquets. This list is closed by the *Veliturnum*, *Privernatinum*, and *Signinum*, from Velitrae, Privernum, and Signia, towns on the Volscian hills; the first was a sound wine, but had this peculiarity, that it always tasted as if mixed with some foreign substance; the second was thin and pleasant; the last was looked upon only in the light of a medicine valuable for its astringent qualities. We may safely bring in one more, the *Formianum*, from the Gulf of Caieta, associated by Horace with the Caecuban, Falernian, and Calenian.

The fourth rank contained the *Mamertinum*, from the neighbourhood of Messana, first brought into fashion by Julius Caesar. The finest was sound, light, and at the same time not without body.

VIRGINES VESTALES. [VESTALES VIRGINES.]

VIS. Leges were passed at Rome for the purpose of preventing acts of violence. The Lex Plotia or Plautia was enacted against those who occupied public places and carried arms. The lex proposed by the consul Q. Catulus on the subject, with the assistance of Plautius the tribune, appears to be the Lex Plotia. There was a Lex Julia of the dictator Caesar on this subject, which imposed the penalty of exile. Two Juliae Leges were passed as to this matter in the time of Augustus, which were respectively entitled De Vi Publica and De Vi Privata.

VISCERATIO. [FUNUS, p. 164.]

VITIS. [CENTURIO.]

VITRUM (*βάλος*), glass. A story has been preserved by Pliny, that glass was first discovered accidentally by some merchants who, having landed on the Syrian coast at the mouth of the river Belus, and being unable to find stones to support their cooking-pots, fetched for this purpose from their ships some of the lumps of nitre which composed the cargo. This being fused by the heat of the fire, united with the sand upon which it rested, and formed a stream of vitrified matter. No conclusion can be drawn from this tale, even if true, in consequence of its vagueness; but it probably originated in the fact, that the sand of the district in question was es-

teemed peculiarly suitable for glass-making, and exported in great quantities to the workshops of Sidon and Alexandria, long the most famous in the ancient world. Alexandria sustained its reputation for many centuries; Rome derived a great portion of its supplies from this source, and as late as the reign of Aurelian we find the manufacture still flourishing.

There is some difficulty in deciding by what Greek author glass is first mentioned, because the term *βάλος* unquestionably denotes not only artificial glass, but rock-crystal, or indeed any transparent stone or stone-like substance. Thus the *πέλος* of Herodotus, in which the Ethiopians encased the bodies of their dead, cannot be glass, for we are expressly told that it was dug in abundance out of the earth; and hence commentators have conjectured that rock-crystal or rock-salt, or amber, or oriental alabaster, or some bituminous or gummy product, might be indicated. But when the same historian, in his account of sacred crocodiles, states that they were decorated with ear-rings made of melted stone, we may safely conclude that he intends to describe some vitreous ornament for which he knew no appropriate name. Glass is, however, first mentioned with certainty by Theophrastus, who notices the circumstance alluded to above, of the fitness of the sand at the mouth of the river Belus for the fabrication of glass.

Among the Latin writers Lucretius appears to be the first in which the word *vitrum* occurs; but it must have been well known to his countrymen long before, for Cicero names it along with paper and linen, as a common article of merchandize brought from Egypt. Scaurus, in his aedileship (B. C. 58), made a display of it such as was never witnessed even in after-times; for the *scena* of his gorgeous theatre was divided into three tiers, of which the under portion was of marble, the upper of gilded wood, and the middle compartment of glass. In the poets of the Augustan age it is constantly introduced, both directly and in similes, and in such terms as to prove that it was an object with which every one must be familiar. Strabo declares that in his day a small drinking-cup of glass might be purchased at Rome for half an as, and so common was it in the time of Juvenal and Martial, that old men and women made a livelihood by trucking sulphur matches for broken fragments. When Pliny wrote, manufactories had been established not only in Italy, but in Spain and Gaul also, and glass drinking-cups had entirely superseded those of gold and silver; and in the reign of Alex-

ander Severus we find *vitrearii* ranked along with curriers, coachmakers, goldsmiths, silversmiths, and other ordinary artificers whom the emperor taxed to raise money for his *thermae*.

The numerous specimens transmitted to us prove that the ancients were well acquainted with the art of imparting a great variety of colours to their glass; they were probably less successful in their attempts to render it perfectly pure and free from all colour, since we are told that it was considered most valuable in this state. It was wrought according to the different methods now practised, being fashioned into the required shape by the blowpipe, *cut*, as we term it, although *ground* (*teritur*) is a more accurate phrase, upon a wheel, and engraved with a sharp tool like silver. The art of etching upon glass, now so common, was entirely unknown, since it depends upon the properties of fluoric acid, a chemical discovery of the last century.

The following were the chief uses to which glass was applied.

1. Bottles, vases, cups, and cinerary urns.
2. Glass pastes, presenting fac-similes either in relief or intaglio of engraved precious stones.
3. Imitations of colored precious stones, such as the carbuncle, the sapphire, the amethyst, and, above all, the emerald.
4. Thick sheets of glass of various colours appear to have been laid down for paving floors, and to have been attached as a lining to the walls and ceilings of apartments in dwelling houses, just as scagliuola is frequently employed in Italy, and occasionally in our own country also. Rooms fitted up in this way were called *vitreae camerae*, and the panels *vitreae quadraturae*. Such was the kind of decoration introduced by Scaurus for the scene of his theatre; not columns nor pillars of glass, as some, nor bas-reliefs, as others have imagined. 5. Glass was also used for windows. [DOMUS, p. 127.]

VITTA, or plural VITTAE, a ribbon or fillet, is to be considered, 1. As an ordinary portion of female dress. 2. As a decoration of sacred persons and sacred things.

1. When considered as an ordinary portion



Vittae.

of female dress, it was simply a band encircling the head, and serving to confine the tresses (*crinales vittae*), the ends, when long (*longae taenia vittae*), hanging down behind. It was worn by maidens, and by married women also; the vitta assumed on the nuptial day being of a different form from that used by virgins.

The Vitta was *not* worn by libertinae even of fair character, much less by meretrices; hence it was looked upon as an *insigne pudoris*, and, together with the *stola* and *instita*, served to point out at first sight the freeborn matron.

The colour was probably a matter of choice; white and purple are both mentioned.

When employed for sacred purposes, it was usually twisted round the infula [INFULA], and held together the loose flocks of wool. Under this form it was employed as an ornament for (1.) Priests, and those who offered sacrifice. (2.) Priestesses, especially those of Vesta, and hence *vittata sacerdos* for a vestal, *κατ' ἐξόχην*. (3.) Prophets and poets, who may be regarded as priests; and in this case the vittae were frequently intertwined with chaplets of olive or laurel. (4.) Statues of deities. (5.) Victims decked for sacrifice. (6.) Altars. (7.) Temples. (8.) The *ἱκετήρια* of suppliants.

The sacred vittae, as well as the infulae, were made of wool, and hence the epithets *lanea* and *mollis*. They were white (*niveae*) or purple (*puniciae*), or azure (*caeruleae*) when wreathed round an altar to the manes.

ULNA. [PES.]

UMBILICUS. [LIBER.]

UMBO. [CLIPRUS.]

UMBRACULUM, UMBELLA (*σκιᾶδελον, σκιᾶδιον, σκιᾶδίσκη*), a parasol, was used by Greek and Roman ladies as a protection against the sun. They seem not to have been carried generally by the ladies themselves, but by female slaves who held them over their mistresses. The daughters of the aliens (*μέτοικοι*) at Athens had to carry parasols after the Athenian maidens at the Panathenaea, as is mentioned under HYDRIAPHORIA. The parasols of the ancients seem to have been exactly like our own parasols or umbrellas in form, and could be shut up and opened like ours.

It was considered a mark of effeminacy for men to make use of parasols. The Roman ladies used them in the amphitheatre to defend themselves from the sun or some passing shower, when the wind or other circumstances did not allow the velarium to be extended. [AMPHITHEATRUM.] To hold a parasol over a lady was one of the common attentions of lovers, and it seems to have been

very common to give parasols as presents. Instead of parasols, the Greek women in later times wore a kind of straw hat or bonnet, called *tholia* (*θολία*). The Romans also wore a hat with a broad brim (*petasus*) as a protection against the sun.



Umbraculum, Parasol.

UNCIA (*ὀγκία*, *ὀγκία*, *ὀγγία*), the twelfth part of the *AS* or *LIBRA*, is derived by Varro from *unus*, as being the unit of the divisions of the *as*

Its value as a weight was 433·666 grains or $\frac{2}{3}$ of an ounce and 105·36 grains avoirdupois. [*LIBRA.*] It was subdivided into

	Oz.	Grs.
2 semunciae, each - =	$\frac{1}{2}$	107·46
3 denellae „ -	$\frac{1}{4}$	35·12
4 sicilici „ -	„	108·416
6 sextulæ „ -	„	72·277
24 scrupula „ -	„	18·069
144 siliquæ „ -	„	3·011

In connecting the Roman system of weights and money with the Greek, another division of the uncia was used. When the drachma was introduced into the Roman system as equivalent to the denarius of 96 to the pound [*DENARIUS*; *DRACHMA*], the uncia contained 8 drachmae, the drachma 3 scrupula, the scrupulum 2 oboli (since 6 oboli made up the drachma), and the obolus 3 siliquæ (*κεράρια*). Therefore the uncia was divided into

8 drachmae, each - =	54·208 grs.
24 scrupula „ -	18·069
48 oboli „ -	9·034
144 siliquæ „ -	3·011

In this division we have the origin of the modern Italian system, in which the pound is divided into 12 ounces, the ounce into three drams, the dram into three scruples, and the scruple into 6 carats. In each of these systems 1728 *κεράρια*, siliquæ, or carats, make up the pound.

The Romans applied the uncial division to all kinds of magnitude. [*AS.*] In length the uncia was the twelfth of a foot, whence the word *inch* [*Pes*], in area the twelfth of a jugerum [*JUGERUM*], in content the twelfth of a sextarius [*SEXTARIUS*; *CYATHUS*]; in time the twelfth of an hour.

UNCIARIUM FENUS. [*FENUS.*]

UNCTORES. [*BALNEUM.*]

UNGUENTA, ointments, oils, or salves.

The application of unguenta in connection with the bathing and athletic contests of the ancients is stated under *BALNEUM* and *ATHLETÆ*. But although their original object was simply to preserve the health and elasticity of the human frame, they were in later times used as articles of luxury. They were then not only employed to impart to the body or hair a particular colour, but also to give to them the most beautiful fragrance possible; they were, moreover, not merely applied after a bath, but at any time, to render one's appearance or presence more pleasant than usual. In short, they were used then as oils and pomatums are at present.

At Rome these luxuries did not become very general till towards the end of the republic, while the Greeks appear to have been familiar with them from early times. The wealthy Greeks and Romans carried their ointments and perfumes with them, especially when they bathed, in small boxes of costly materials and beautiful workmanship, which were called *Narthecia*. The traffic which was carried on in these ointments and perfumes in several towns of Greece and southern Italy was very considerable. The persons engaged in manufacturing them were called by the Romans *Unguentarii*, or, as they frequently were women, *Unguentariæ*, and the art of manufacturing them *Unguentaria*. In the wealthy and effeminate city of Capua there was one great street called the *Seplasia*, which consisted entirely of shops in which ointments and perfumes were sold.

VOLO'NES is synonymous with *Voluntarii* (from *volo*), and might hence be applied to all those who volunteered to serve in the Roman armies without there being any obligation to

do so. But it was applied more especially to slaves, when in times of need they offered or were allowed to fight in the Roman armies. Thus when during the second Punic war after the battle of Cannae there was not a sufficient number of freemen to complete the army, about 8000 young and able-bodied slaves offered to serve. Their proposal was accepted; they received armour at the public expense, and as they distinguished themselves they were honoured with the franchise. In after times the name *volones* was retained whenever slaves chose or were allowed to take up arms in defence of their masters, which they were the more willing to do, as they were generally rewarded with the franchise.

VOLUMEN. [LIBER.]

VOLUNTARIIL. [VOLONES.]

VOMITORIA. [AMPHITHEATRUM.]

URAGUS. [CENTURIUM.]

URNA, an urn, a Roman measure of capacity for fluids, equal to half an AMPHORA. This use of the term was probably founded upon its more general application to denote a vessel for holding water, or any other substance, either fluid or solid.

An urn was used to receive the names of the judges (*judices*) in order that the praetor might draw out of it a sufficient number to determine causes: also to receive the ashes of the dead.

USTRI'NA, USTRINUM. [BUSTUM.]

USUCAPIO, the possession of property for a certain time without interruption. The Twelve Tables declared that the ownership of land, a house, or other immoveable property, could be acquired by usucapio in two years; and of moveable property by usucapio in one year.

USURAE. [FENUS.]

USUS. [MATRIMONIUM, p. 213.]

USUSFRUCTUS was the right to the enjoyment of a thing by one person, while the ownership belonged to another. He who had the usufructus was *Ususfructuarius* or *Fructuarius*, and the object of the usufructus was *Res Fructuaria*.

UTRICULARIUS. [TIBIA.]

VULCANALIA, a festival celebrated at Rome in honour of Vulcan, on the 23d of August, with games in the circus Flaminius, where the god had a temple. The sacrifice on this occasion consisted of fishes, which the people threw into the fire. It was also customary on this day to commence working by candle-light, which was probably considered as an auspicious beginning of the use of fire, as the day was sacred to the god of this element.

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VULGAR'ES. [SERVUS, p. 289.]

UXOR. [MATRIMONIUM, p. 212.]

UXORIUM. [AES UXORIUM.]

W.

WEAVING. [TELA.]

WHEELS. [CURRUS.]

WINDOWS. [DOMUS, p. 127.]

WINE. [VINUM.]

WRESTLING. [LUCTA.]

X.

XENAGI (*ξενάγοι*). The Spartans, as being the head of that Peloponnesian and Dorian league, which was formed to secure the independence of the Greek states, had the sole command of the confederate troops in time of war, ordered the quotas which each state was to furnish, and appointed officers of their own to command them. Such officers were called *Xenagi*. The generals whom the allies sent with their troops were subordinate to these Spartan *xenagi*, though they attended the council of war, as representatives of their respective countries. After the peace of Antalcidas, the league was still more firmly established, though Argos refused to join it; and the Spartans were rigorous in exacting the required military service, demanding levies by the *scytale*, and sending out *xenagi* to collect them.

The word *Xenagus* may be applied to any leader of a band of foreigners or mercenaries.

XENUS (*ξένος*). [HOSPITIUM.]

XESTES (*ξέστης*), a Greek measure of capacity, both fluid and solid, which contained 12 cyathi or 2 cotylae, and was equal to $\frac{1}{8}$ of the chous, $\frac{1}{8}$ of the Roman amphora or quadrantal, and $\frac{1}{12}$ of the Greek amphora or metretres; or, viewing it as a dry measure, it was half the choenix and $\frac{1}{16}$ of the medimnus. It contained .9911 of a pint English.

At this point the Roman and Attic systems of measures coincide; for there is no doubt that the Attic xestes was identical, both in name and in value, with the Roman sextarius.

Y.

YEAR. [CALENDARIUM.]

YOKE. [JUGUM.]

Z.

ZA'CORI. [ÆDITUI.]

ZETETÆE (ζητηταί), *Inquisitors*, were extraordinary officers, appointed by the Athenians to discover the authors of some crime against the state, and bring them to justice. They were more frequently appointed to search for confiscated property, the goods of condemned criminals and state debtors; to receive and give information against any persons who concealed, or assisted in concealing them, and to deliver an inventory of all such goods (ἀπογράφειν) to the proper authorities.

ZONA, also called CINGULUM (ζώνη, ζῶμα, ζωστήρ, μίτρα), a girdle or zone, worn about the loins by both sexes.

The chief use of this article of dress was to hold up the tunic (ζώννυσθαι), which was more especially requisite to be done when persons were at work, on a journey, or engaged in hunting. Hence we see the loins girded in the cuts of the boatman at p. 148, of the shipbuilder at p. 25, and of the goatherd at p. 246. The zona is also represented in many ancient statues and pictures of men in armour as worn round the cuirass. The girdle, mentioned by Homer, seems to have been a constituent part of the cuirass, serving to fasten it by means of a buckle, and also affording an additional protection to the body, and having a short kind of petticoat attached to it, as is shown in the figure of the Greek warrior in p. 203. The cut at p. 3 shows that the ancient cuirass did not descend low enough to secure that part of the body, which was covered by the ornamental kilt or petticoat. To supply this defect was the design of the *mitra* (μίτρα), a brazen belt lined probably on the inside with leather and stuffed with wool, which was worn next to the body.

Men used their girdles to hold money instead of a purse.

As the girdle was worn to hold up the garments for the sake of business or of work requiring despatch, so it was loosened and the tunic was allowed to fall down to the feet to indicate the opposite condition, and more especially in preparing to perform a sacrifice (*veste recincta*), or funeral rites (*discincti, incinctae*).

A girdle was worn by young women, even when their tunic was not girt up, and removed on the day of marriage, and therefore called ζώνη παρθενική. The statue of Flora, in the annexed cut, shows the appearance of the girdle as worn by young women.



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